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The Jewish Holidays

Shabbat
(Sabbath)

Celebrated Fridays at sundown to commemorate God's day of rest after six days of creation. Traditions include lighting candles, drinking wine and eating challah (a braided bread). Havdalah, the farewell ceremony to Shabbat, takes place after three stars shine in the Saturday night sky and is celebrated by lighting a braided candle, drinking wine and smelling sweet spices.

Rosh Hashanah *(Jewish New Year)*

Festive celebration during which individuals contemplate their past, present and future actions. Traditional foods include round challah and apples with honey, symbolizing anticipated wholeness and sweetness for the new year. Commences the Ten Days of Awe, which culminate on Yom Kippur.

Yom Kippur *(Day of Atonement)*

Holiest day of the Jewish year. Yom Kippur is the Day of Atonement between God and the individual and between God and the community. It is the day when everyone may receive forgiveness. Before the fast starts, a filling meal is eaten. Candles are lit in memory of loved ones, generations past. Through fasting and prayer, Jews reflect upon their relationships with God and other people and atone for their wrongdoings. Ends with a shofar's blast at sundown.

Sukkot *(Festival of Booths)*

The 15th of Tishrei, night of the full moon, marks the start of Sukkot, recalling the Jews wandering in the desert. Sukkot is also a festival of thanksgiving — to be grateful for the year's harvest and to remember to never take land or crops for granted. Many build a *sukkah* (plural: *sukkot*), a temporary structure with a roof made of branches, modeled after the huts constructed in the desert. Also celebrated with the shaking of the *lulav* (assemblage of palm, willow and myrtle branches) and *etrog* (a lemon-like fruit).

Shemini Atzeret *(Eighth Day of Assembly)*

Celebrated the day after Sukkot and thus sometimes considered an extension of the holiday. Marks the first time *tefillat geshem* (prayer for rain) is recited during services, a practice that continues until Pesach.

Simchat Torah *(Rejoicing in Torah)*

The Torah is honored on the 9th day after the start of Sukkot, (in Israel on the 8th day). The sacred scrolls are taken from the Ark and carried seven times around the sanctuary. The last chapter of Deuteronomy and first chapter of Genesis are read. The Torah scroll winds back to its beginning. The reading of its wisdom starts anew.

Chanukah *(Festival of Lights)*

Eight-day holiday marks the miracle of when the Jewish Maccabees vanquished their Hellenist oppressors and rededicated the Temple in Jerusalem. Celebrated by lighting candles in a *chanukiyah* (a nine-branched candelabrum), eating *latkes* (potato pancakes), playing with *dreidels* (spinning tops) and giving *gelt* (money or gifts).

Tu B'Shevat *(New Year of Trees)*

Biblical in origin, a holiday with environmentalist and Zionistic themes that celebrates springtime renewal and growth. Traditions include eating fruit and planting trees.

Purim *(Feast of Lots)*

Purim recalls how the evil Haman's plans to kill all the Jews in Persia were thwarted by wise Queen Esther and her cousin, Mordechai. When Haman is mentioned in the Megillah (scroll) of Esther, people shout and turn *graggers* (noisemakers) to drown out his name. Traditions include parties, *mishloach manot* (gift-giving) and eating hamentashen (three-cornered fruit-filled pastries). Some also fast on the day before Purim to remember the three-day fast by the Jews of Persia at Esther's request.

Pesach *(Passover)*

Celebrates the liberation of Israel from slavery in Egypt. At the seder (traditional service and meal), the Haggadah (collection of texts and commentaries on the Exodus) is read and symbolic foods are eaten. Jews refrain from eating leavened products and eat matzah (unleavened bread) for eight days to remember how the hurried Israelites could not let their bread rise before fleeing.

Sefirat HaOmer *(Counting of the Omer)*

The omer are counted from the second night of Passover for 49 days, the time that elapsed from the day the Israelites left Egypt to the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. In the time of the Temple in Jerusalem, an omer (measure) of barley was brought as an offering 49 days, in a row. The Counting of the Omer is a time of preparation for Shavuot, celebration of the gift of Torah. But, it is also a time of mourning.

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The Jewish Holidays

Yom HaShoah

(Holocaust Remembrance Day)

Day chosen by the Israeli Knesset, in 1951, to mourn the millions killed in the Holocaust. Often commemorated with the reading of names and speeches by survivors. In Israel, a siren's morning blast allows collective remembrance in a moment of silence.

Yom HaZikaron

(Martyrs' and Heroes' Memorial Day)

Day of remembrance for all who sacrificed themselves for the state of Israel. Public observances include lighting of *yarzheit* (memorial) candles, visiting graves and reciting psalms. In Israel, sirens blast once in the morning and again in the evening to begin Yom HaAtzmaut, Israel Independence Day.

Yom HaAtzmaut

(Israel Independence Day)

On May 14, 1948 (Hebrew date: 5 Iyar), Israel was declared an independent state. Many Jews celebrate with parades, festivals and donations to Jewish charities.

Lag B'Omer

(Thirty-third Day of the Counting of the Omer)

One-day suspension of the traditional mourning period during *Sefirat HaOmer*. On this day, a plague afflicting Rabbi Akiva's students ceased. Also commemorates Bar Kochba's recapture of Jerusalem from the Romans. Celebrated with picnics and nature outings.

Shavuot

(Festival of Weeks)

Celebrated the day after *Sefirat HaOmer* ends to commemorate the giving of the Torah at Sinai and the spring harvest. Traditionally, Jews read the Ten Commandments and the Book of Ruth, and eat dairy products. Religious school confirmation often takes place at this time.

Fast of Tammuz

(The Seventeenth of Tammuz)

Fast from dawn until nightfall commemorating the day Moses broke the first Tablets of the Covenant because the Israelites made the Golden Calf. Also marks the beginning of the siege on Jerusalem before its destruction. Begins the "Three Weeks," a mourning period ending at Tisha B'Av.

Tisha B'Av

(The Ninth of Av)

Day of fasting and mourning commemorating the destruction of the First and Second Temples, both of which took place on the 9th of Av. The Book of Lamentations is read and many conduct services sitting on the floor.

JEWISH HOLIDAYS, 5779

Holidays begin at sundown on the evening before the date specified.

Rosh Hashanah.. Sept. 10–11	Simchat Torah .... October 2	Passover ..... April 20–27	Lag B'Omer ..... May 23
Yom Kippur.....September 19	Chanukah.. December 3–10	Yom HaShoah.....May 2	Yom Yerushalayim. .. June 2
Sukkot.....September 24–30	Tu B'Shevat..... January 21	Yom HaZikaron.....May 8	Shavuot..... June 9–10
Shemini Atzeret.....October 1	Purim ..... March 21	Yom HaAtzmaut .....May 9	Tisha B'Av .....August 11

Washtenaw Jewish News aims and principles

- To provide the Jewish community of Washtenaw County with a quality newspaper that will present news of Jewish interest with a priority on local news.
- To offer commentary, interpretation and authentic background on events of the day, as a means of stimulating the concern and response vital to the fulfillment of our responsibilities as members of the Jewish community.
- To enrich the life of both individuals and the community through the presentation of features, articles, reviews, and other material of Jewish content and interest.
- To provide a forum for comment by members of the community wishing to express their viewpoints on matters of Jewish interest.

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The Concept of a Universal Humanity, Social Justice and National Individuality in Modern Jewish Thought

Yossi Turner, Visiting Professor, The Schechter Institute of Jewish Studies

October 9, 4 pm

Madame Bovary in the Jewish Provinces: Fradel Shtok's Modernist Yiddish Prose

Allison Schachter, Vanderbilt University

October 18, 1 pm

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Whitechapel Noise: Politics, Sex and Religion in Yiddish Rhyme on the Streets of London's East End 1884-1914

Vivi Lachs , Birkbeck, University of London

October 30, 4 pm

The Yellow Ticket

Film, Performance, Q&A

November 12, 7 pm

Michigan Theater
603 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor

Anti-Jewish Pogroms in Lithuania under the Tsars

Darius Staliunas, Lithuanian Institute of History

December 11, 4 pm

On Site/Sight: From Europe to the Lower East Side and Beyond

Shachar Pinsker & Sara Blair, University of Michigan

October 10, 7 pm

Literati Bookstore, 124 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor

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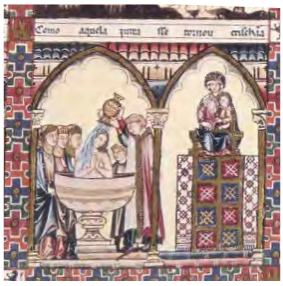

Jewish Women and Conversion in Medieval Europe

Paola Tartakoff, Rutgers University

October 23, 4 pm

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GI Jews: Jewish Americans in World War II

Lisa Ades, Filmmaker

November 6, 5:30 pm

UMMA Auditorium
525 S. State St., Ann Arbor

The Bizarre Tales of Yiddishland: What the Yiddish Press Reveals about the Jews

Eddy Portnoy, YIVO Institute for Jewish Research

November 13, 4 pm

community organizations

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JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER ANN ARBOR

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As the central convener, connector and communicator of Jewish philanthropy and engagement for the greater Ann Arbor community, the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor is committed to caring for the needs of the Jewish people,

developing and strengthening vibrant local Jewish communal life, and building an enduring Jewish future in Ann Arbor, in Israel and around the world.

The Jewish Federation ignites the spark to awaken Jewish identities through its support of and participation in a variety of Jewish educational programs, Israel and summer camp scholarships, and other social, cultural and Jewish engagement programs.

From Celebrate Israel to The Main Event, Federation provides opportunities for people from across the spectrum of the Jewish community to gather and connect for meaningful, thought-provoking and entertaining experiences. Committees and engagement groups such as Jewish Young Professionals (JYP), Maimonides Society, Cardozo Society, Jewish Women Doing Stuff (JWDS), Community Relations Committee and Women's Philanthropy provide opportunities for Ann Arbor area residents to engage and connect across life stages and interest areas.

Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor 2018 Allocations

Local Allocations

Ann Arbor Eruv	$500
Chabad of Ann Arbor	$7,542
Hebrew Day School	$108,000
Hillel - EMU	$9,174
Hillel - UM	$6,000
Israel Experience Subsidies for Teens	$6,000
Jewish Community Center	$176,322
Jewish Community Foundation	$53,968
Jewish Community Strategic Vision Fund	$18,850
Jewish Educators Council	$7,000
Jewish Family Services	$115,170
Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor	$485,712
Jewish Federation Emergency Cash Assistance	$10,000
Jewish Summer Camp Scholarships	$11,000
Keshet Ann Arbor	$12,500
Reserve for Unmet Pledges	$25,000
Total Local Allocations	**$1,052,738**

National Allocations

Israel Action Network	$1,000
JFNA Fair Share Dues	$52,895
Jewish Council for Public Affairs	$1,750
Total National Allocations	$55,645

Overseas Allocations

Birthright Israel	$9,137
Jewish Agency - Project Ten	$7,500
JFNA Collective Overseas (JAFI, JDC, ORT)	$150,025
JDC Welfare Relief in the FSU	$36,000
Hand in Hand Schools	$7,500
Israel Religious Expression Platform (iRep)	$7,500
Leket Israel - National Food Bank	$6,000
Partnership2Gether (Michigan/Central Galilee)	$11,000
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The Jewish Community Foundation is operated by the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor and exists to foster financial sustainability for the Jewish community of Washtenaw County for future generations. The Jewish Community Foundation serves as custodian of the endowment funds of its partner Jewish organizations and congregations: Beth Israel Congregation, Hebrew Day School, the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, Jewish Cultural Society, Jewish Family Services and Temple Beth Emeth – to secure their financial future. The Jewish Community Foundation helps donors fulfill their philanthropic goals and enables them to leave a personal legacy through the creation of donor advised funds, permanent restricted and unrestricted endowment funds, charitable trusts and gift annuities. The Foundation accepts gifts and bequests of cash, stocks and property from individuals, corporations and other entities to establish and support funds which benefit communal partners and programs. Contact the director of the Foundation or the executive directors of any of the partner organizations to consult confidentially about planned giving opportunities.

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Jewish Family Services endeavors to be a trusted and stable source of professional, compassionate and affordable services delivered in a spirit of Jewish values and tradition. Through its dedicated staff and volunteers, and in cooperation with a wide range of community partners, JFS strives to be a catalyst for meeting the human service needs of all people of Washtenaw County. The philosophy of JFS grows out of the long history of community investment and belief in the importance of tzedakah (charity) that is at the foundation of Judaism. This philosophy impacts all aspects of JFS from programming to policy writing and is what gives this agency its strength and longevity.

Our philosophy includes a variety of values that are evident in how JFS interacts with both its clients and the larger community. These include:

- The fundamental belief that *"kol yisrael areivim ze l'ze,"* that we as a community are each responsible for one another. The idea that each individual has a role to play in *"tikkun olam"* repairing the world. And, that as Rabbi Tarfon taught: "It is not your responsibility to finish the work [of perfecting the world], but you are not free to desist from it either" (Pirke Avot, 2:16).
- The belief that JFS plays a vital role in the empowerment of our clients to be active participants in the decisions that impact their lives.
- That individuals and families are deserving of quality services and that JFS plays an important role in both the Jewish and secular communities, often acting as a link between these two groups.

As an agency in Washtenaw County that serves a diverse, international population, the mission of Jewish Family Services (JFS) is to create solutions, promote dignity and inspire humanity. JFS provides programs and services that support the entire community. JFS' Case Management/ Services Coordination, Outpatient Mental Health Treatment (Counseling) and Employment Services programs are accredited by CARF International.

OLDER ADULT SERVICES

Geriatric social workers provide case management, assessment, counseling, home visits, crisis intervention, information, and referrals for older adults and their families. Volunteers offer friendly visiting and telephone reassurance to homebound seniors. Through its Partners in Care Concierge (PiCC) medical accompaniment program, trained volunteers accompany older adults to their medical appointments in order to listen, facilitate productive communication and with a written report for accurate follow up by the client or caregiver.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT SERVICES

The JFS Older Adult Services Coordinator assists local and long distance caregivers in managing the care of their older parents or loved ones. This program provides support through an extensive menu of services including information and referrals, facilitated introductions to facilities and service providers, Caregiver Consultations, monthly Caregiver Conversations support groups, and more.

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NEW AMERICAN PROGRAM

The New American Community Club assists foreign-born older adults in accessing social and medical services, offers support, and promotes the process of acculturation and integration into the larger community through a wide range of direct services and programs.

THRIVE COUNSELING

Thrive Counseling provides counseling services in a safe, confidential and supportive environment. Skilled and compassionate licensed clinicians and counselors offer support, guidance and solutions for a wide range of issues that may cause clients imbalance, stress or suffering – tailored to individual needs. Therapists will use an individualized assessment and draw on their years of experience to create a treatment approach to help clients find their way back to a healthy, balanced life. Thrive services are accredited by CARF International and are covered by most major insurance plans.

COMMUNITY SERVICES – CRISIS SUPPORT, FOOD PANTRY

JFS assists community members with crisis management, including information and referral to community resources, financial and other types of emergency assistance.

SPECIALTY FOOD PANTRY

The specialty food pantry provides a variety of foods including ethnic, Kosher, Halal and gluten-free items, liquid nutrition, and food for other specialized diets. The pantry provides open access days twice a week. In addition to the home food delivery service for homebound older adult clients, JFS partners with other agencies to provide food deliveries among the county. JFS is currently expanding to offer healthy food demonstrations, which utilize products found in the pantry to make a healthy snack or meal.

JEWISH FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION

JFS offers a variety of culturally sensitive educational programs and events to strengthen individuals, families and the community. Education, information and support is provided, not only on

universal family issues but also with the goal of supporting Jewish values and traditions and promoting common Jewish interests and socialization. Programs include the JFS Kids Care Fair, Mitzvah Mail and more.

EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER SERVICES

JFS provides individualized services and guidance to job seekers in order to alleviate barriers to long-term, sustainable employment. The program offers a wide range of specialized services including employability assessment, resume and cover letter writing, job search skills assistance, and interviewing and networking skills development. JFS Employment Services are accredited by CARF International.

RESETTLEMENT AND INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

JFS provides a wide range of resettlement and social services for refugees and other immigrants, such as seeking employment, helping establish housing, obtaining financial literacy and asset building, learning English, securing government documents, preparing for citizenship, and adapting to American culture and life.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation services helps ensure mobility for older adults and prevents isolation. The JFS CareVan Program enables older or disabled adults and other residents to maintain their independence by providing rides within the Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti area to medical appointments, errands, and community events. Wheelchair lift assistance is available. Riders must be JFS clients and make reservations one week in advance.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

JFS is able to provide services to those in need because of the assistance of many wonderful volunteers. Unique and fulfilling volunteer opportunities are tailored to meet diverse preferences, skills and schedules. There are many ways to help: be a friendly visitor, accompany seniors in the PiCC program to their medical appointments, teach English to immigrants and refugees as an ESL teacher or a conversational partner.

THE HERB AMSTER CENTER

The Amster Center's main objective is to enhance economic stability for JFS, for the benefit of JFS clients and the community at large. To that end, the Center has enhanced opportunities for earned revenue through corporate training, counseling, and transportation. JFS builds upon existing expertise, thereby reducing JFS' dependence on grant and foundation funding.

TRAINING

JFS and The Herb Amster Center launched a social enterprise that offers training and development solutions to local organizations wishing to enhance their workforce. JFS and The Herb Amster Center offer local businesses training and development seminars in four distinct areas: diversity, health and wellness, work- life balance and professional skill development. Each session is fully customized to client's goals and needs, rendering our training programs highly effective. These trainings are available for purchase, and are also available to those businesses who are JFS's ongoing corporate partners. To find out more about these training and development programs, and corporate partnership with JFS, visit www.amstercenter.org

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The Jewish Community Center, known affectionately as "the J", has the mission to enhance Jewish identity, culture, and values for the community, through a wide range of resources and excellent programming. The J is a membership organization which provides a wide variety of vital services and programs which are open to all regardless of religious affiliation, and are proudly guided by Jewish values. Members are eligible to serve on the many advisory committees as well as the J's board of directors to shape the organization. The J hosts popular community wide events including: Apples and Honey and Lots, Lots More; the J's celebration of the fall Jewish holidays; as Arts Around Town: Jewish Book and Arts Festival, featuring authors, artists, and more throughout the fall; the Ann Arbor Jewish Film Festival for 5 days each May; and many other events throughout the year. The J also serves as the Ann Arbor community's home-base for the popular PJ Library and PJ Our Way programs, which provide free Jewish-themed books to families with pre-reader children and young readers respectively. The J's Early Childhood Center (ECC) provides care and education for infants through preschoolers. KidZone provides a variety of programs for children

in kindergarten through fifth grade, including afterschool and school vacation programs, snow day/unanticipated school closing programs, and more. The JCC Maccabi Games and Arts Fest is the largest annual gathering of Jewish teens in North America, with local delegations traveling to different cities each summer to participate in a variety of athletic and arts competitions. The J offers two day camps each summer. Camp Keshet is operated by ECC for toddlers through preschoolers. Camp Raanana provides a traditional outdoor camp experience for children in grades K–5, the Atid leadership program for grades 6–8, and the Ozrim CIT program for those in grades 9 and 10, potentially leading to paid junior and senior counselor positions. Adults enjoy a variety of health and wellness programs including fitness classes such as Zumba, Yoga, and Israeli dancing, as well as frequent arts and culture programs, including concerts,

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lectures, presentations, and classes, as well as rotating exhibitions in the Amster Gallery. The third Thursday of each month at noon, the J offers a lunch and learn called Third Thursdays with an optional lunch for purchase and special presentations on a wide variety of topics. Presenters range from leaders of local organizations and businesses to musicians to conversations with local rabbis or elected officials. Older adults engage socially and intellectually through our Tuesday/Thursday mobility exercise classes, current events discussion, Lunch Café, and more.

The J is the proud hub of Jewish cultural life in Washtenaw County. Five Jewish community agencies call the J's building home: Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor, Hebrew Day School of Ann Arbor, Jewish Cultural Society, Ann Arbor Reconstructionist Congregation, and Washtenaw Jewish News. The J also leases space to the Judson Center, a program which prepares autistic children for school and other life interactions. The J's lounge spaces and gymnasium are available to rent by Jewish and non-Jewish community organizations as well as individuals for meetings, events, and celebrations.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER AT THE J

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Peretz Hirshbein, director

The Early Childhood Center (ECC) at the J has been providing high quality early childhood care and education to the Ann Arbor community for over 25 years. The teachers and support staff provide a loving and supportive child-centered environment, which encourages creativity, spontaneity, and robust learning by integrating Jewish values and proven early childhood methodologies. Accredited by the National Association of the Education for Young children (NAEYC), the ECC is open to children ages 2 months to 5 years, with a variety of scheduling options to help meet every family's needs. The ECC is committed to maintaining excellent staff-to-child ratios and to providing its staff with professional development and continuing education. The ECC is also home to the summer day camp, Camp Keshet, an indoor/outdoor camp experience designed specifically for young children. The ECC uses the HighScope educational approach (www.highscope.org).

KIDZONE AT THE J

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Nikki Feinberg, assistant youth and camp director

KidZone is for kids in grades K–8 designed to use all the resources of the J to empower children to create, learn, and grow in a supportive and engaging environment. KidZone recruits its staff from among the best counselors at Camp Raanana, providing a seamless experience from summer to the school year.

KidZone Afterschool provides high quality care five days per week, afterschool to 6 pm. A variety of transportation options exist depending on the child's school of origin. KidZone Afterschool attendees explore self-directed Tikkun Olam/community service projects as well as being provided with homework support including computer access, nutritious snacks, indoor/outdoor activity, enrichment opportunities, and more.

KidZone Enrichment coordinates afterschool and Sunday classes for a variety of ages and interest, such as athletics, arts, crafts, creative learning, games, and more.

KidZone Vacation provides fun and educational activities and field trips when school is not in session. Special KidZone programming is available during weather related or other emergency school closings.

KidZone @Night provides periodic evening activities that give kids a night out and parents a night off.

CAMP RAANANA

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Nikki Feinberg, assistant camp and youth director

Camp Raanana is the J's pluralistic outdoor Jewish summer day camp for children entering grades K–8. Its mission is to create a transformative and fun summer experience in a safe environment that nurtures identity, builds character, and promotes a true sense of community. Camp is held primarily at the beautiful beach front Cedar Lake Outdoor Center in Chelsea, which integrates traditional residential camp activities with a curriculum of six key Jewish values: *ruach*/spirit, *chevrut*/friendship, *atzma'ut*/independence, *yetzirah*/creativity, *kavod*/respect, and *chesed*/kindness. Campers have the opportunity to explore a wide variety of nature and enrichment activities each week including archery, swimming, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, arts & crafts, a variety of athletics such as Gaga – the Israeli version of dodge ball, soccer, basketball, active games. Optional overnight campouts develop campers' outdoor skills as they assemble tents, learn to build a campfire, and engage in camp fire traditions of songs, skits, and s'mores. Sessions are one week each with registration opening in January and continuing throughout the summer as long as space is available.

CAMP RAANANA YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

Camp Raanana offers two leadership programs with age appropriate programming and education. Upon completion of these programs participants will be well prepared with the specific skills necessary to become paid Junior Counselors (for grades 11 and 12), as well as the basic skills required for success at any job.

ATID LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Atid provides a first foray into the leadership experience for youth entering grades 6–8. Atid campers have separate group activities where they will learn and develop basic leadership skills. They will have opportunities to mentor younger campers and shadow more experienced staff, as well as enjoy camp activities geared specifically toward their age, with an emphasis on core values and independence.

OZRIM CIT (COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING) PROGRAM

Ozrim is a formal leadership training program for teens entering grades 9 and 10. In addition to leadership training, Ozrim enjoy special guests, field trips, free swim, and more. Ozrim gain real-world work experience, including filling out a formal employment application, interviewing, and training in First Aid/CPR, as well as experiencing a formal evaluation process similar to the professional counselors. Ozrim prepares participants to become Junior Counselors upon entering grades 11 and 12, and Senior Counselors upon graduating high school.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS @ THE J

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The J is committed to enhancing the physical and mental wellness of community members and provides many opportunities throughout the year. A2 Rikud provides weekly Israeli Dancing on Wednesday evenings. Fitness classes include Zumba, Low Impact Exercise, Callanetics, and other options like Yoga and meditation on Thursday evenings.

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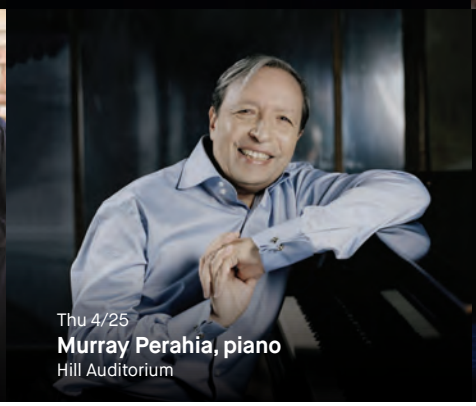
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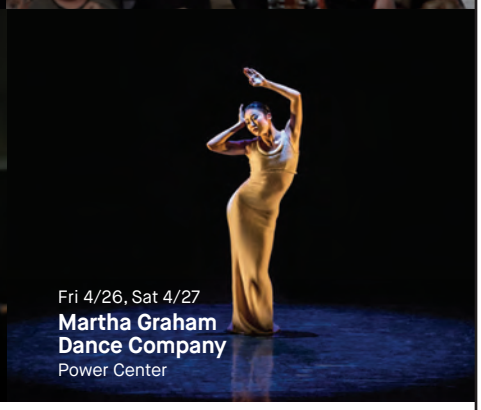
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The J sends a delegation of teens each summer to compete at the JCC Maccabi Games and Arts Fest (www.jccmaccabigames.org), an annual, Olympic-style competition that provides teens an unprecedented opportunity to compete against their peers as well as perform community service and participate in social activities. Ann Arbor teens ages 12–16 can join the Ann Arbor delegation to participate in a variety of sports or visual and performing arts at the largest gathering of Jewish teens from all over the world.

JEWISH CULTURAL ARTS AND EDUCATION @ THE J

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Karen Freedland, director

The Jewish Cultural Arts and Education department gives people of all ages the opportunity to enrich their lives through artistic and intellectual exploration. The J offers classes, lectures, concerts, and hands-on experiences in visual and performing arts, as well as on a variety of topics in Jewish and broader life. The J also offers life-long learning opportunities on topics of Jewish interest, politics, music, film, the environment, and more.

ARTS AROUND TOWN: JEWISH BOOKS AND ARTS FESTIVAL

For over two decades the J has hosted a fall festival celebrating the art of expression through the written word. This has evolved into a season of events which include authors as well as artists of all kinds – visual, performing, and cinematic. The J continues to partner with Barnes and Noble to offer a Jewish themed mini bookstore at the J, as well as throughout the Barnes and Noble store, including featured selections by Jewish authors or books on Jewish subjects, with a portion of the proceeds being donated to the J. Most events have a small or no entrance fee and are open to the public. Individual and business sponsorship donations make this festival possible.

ANN ARBOR JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

Each spring the J presents the Ann Arbor Jewish Film Festival at the Michigan Theater, bringing films from all over the world made by Jewish filmmakers or about Jewish related subjects. In addition, the festival hosts discussions led by a variety of experts, and other events celebrating the films and their subjects. This festival is made possible by membership support, as well as sponsorships from businesses and community members.

FILM DISCUSSION GROUP @ THE J

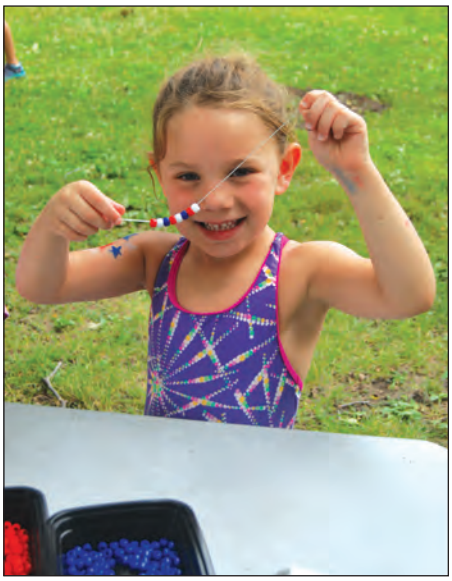
The J hosts a unique Film Discussion Group led by Russell Collins, executive director of the Michigan Theater and co-host of WEMU's Cinema Chat. Discussions cover a range of topics including plots, characters, and various cinematic elements, exploring the art and science of this expansive form of visual expression. Registration takes place twice per year, once in the fall and once in the winter. There is a fee for participation.

AMSTER GALLERY @ THE J

The J hosts a variety of art exhibitions by local, national, and international artists in the Amster Gallery, provided by the generous support of Herbert (z"l) and Carol Amster, located along the main hallway of the J, as well as in the Newman Lounge. Exhibitions are frequently launched via receptions with the artists that are free and open to the public. Most art on display is available for purchase.

GELMAN VIDEO COLLECTION @ THE J

The J hosts the Gelman Video Collection, a library of DVD's and VHS video tapes, including the Jewish Heritage Video Collection, provided by the generous support of Charles and Rita Gelman. Videos are on display in the building's atrium and available to rent from the Welcome Center.



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The Ann Arbor Orthodox Minyan (AAOM) is a dynamic, diverse, and welcoming Modern Orthodox congregation committed to building a joyful, traditional community. Serving families, young professionals, and students for over 50 years, the AAOM offers Shabbat and weekday services, as well as fun and educational programs for children, including a weekly Tot Shabbat offered for kids aged 0–5. A unique aspect of the congregation is that they share services with the Orthodox student minyan of the University of Michigan Hillel during the academic year. The opportunity to offer Shabbat meals, friendship and a home away from home to University students is a wonderful benefit for congregants as well as students. A variety of formal and informal learning opportunities are offered during the school year. The minyan sponsors activities throughout the year, including a fall welcome barbeque, a sukkah hop, women's learning and Torah readings, as well as a *tikkun* (nighttime study session) and picnic on Shavuot. This year they are welcoming their new rabbi, Jared Anstandig, and his wife, Sarit.

DAILY MINYAN DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR:

Daily shaharit minyan meets at 7:30 a.m. on Mondays–Wednesdays at Hillel and Thursdays and Fridays at Chabad House (715 Hill Street), which also hosts a 9 a.m. Sunday morning minyan.

Daily minha/ma'ariv services are held at Hillel just before sunset.

SHABBAT SERVICES:

Kabbalat shabbat times vary seasonally, roughly 10 minutes before candle lighting. Exact time will be provided on the website.

Haharit at Hillel: 9:30 a.m.; Kiddush following services

Tot Shabbat for kids ages 0–5, 11:15 a.m.–noon

HOLIDAY SERVICES:

High Holiday morning services begin at 9 a.m. The times of evening services vary seasonally and will be announced on the website.

Services for *shalosh regalim* (Pesah, Shavu'ot, and Sukkot) begin at 9:30 a.m.; evening services times are seasonally adjusted and are available on the website. There is a kiddush following services.

ANN ARBOR RECONSTRUCTIONIST CONGREGATION

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AARC is an open and welcoming congregation of over 80 Jewish and interfaith families, couples, and individuals, from a wide variety of Jewish traditions, as well as non-Jews exploring Judaism. The congregation includes LGBTQ and interracial households. AARC is affiliated with

Reconstructing Judaism, a progressive movement within Judaism founded by Mordechai Kaplan in the early 20th century that fuses tradition with modernity. AARC's culture encourages an engaged and open-minded approach to Judaism. A core tenet of Reconstructionism is that "the past has a vote, not a veto"; AARC members actively explore and debate Jewish beliefs and practices, balancing a respect for traditional Jewish teachings with the responsibility to interpret them in the light of contemporary values. The Jewish teaching of *tikkun olam* (repairing the world) infuses their intentions and practices, and is reflected in community events and mitzvah opportunities. Community and participation define the spirit of the congregation—all members share responsibility for nourishing it.

SHABBAT SERVICES

AARC meets formally on the second Saturday and fourth Friday each month for Shabbat services. Second Saturday services begin with a text study

('Ta Shma') at 10 a.m. Fourth Friday services are followed by a potluck dinner open to all, and preceded by a Tot Shabbat for families with young children. Services are held at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, the congregation's home base. Community gatherings, book groups, and community song circles held in members' homes (see below for more information) supplement these Shabbat observances.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS

AARC hosts creative and multigenerational holiday celebrations as well as programs for families with young children. Holiday observances are open to members and non-members and include celebrations for all ages for Hannukah, Purim, and Passover. Ticketless services for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur with concurrent children's services are open to all.

BEIT SEFER (RELIGIOUS SCHOOL)

The Ann Arbor Reconstructionist Congregation's religious school the Beit Sefer, provides an innovative and engaging education for K—7th graders, focusing on Jewish values and ethics, history, diversity, prayer, and Hebrew language. Emphasizing critical inquiry and self-expression, the school uses a project-based learning approach to stimulate students' creativity and involvement in Jewish community.

Reconstructionist Jewish education is dedicated to intellectually honest inquiry combined with knowledge of tradition and commitment to the continuity of the Jewish people. We

believe this happens best in a caring, challenging, and supportive learning environment. Students are taught to actively participate in the evolution of Jewish religious culture. Classes are held at the Jewish Community Center on Sundays mornings, 9:30–11:30 a.m., from September through May.

Beit Sefer students learn in three multiage classrooms. The youngest class, the Ketanim ("little ones")—K through 1st or 2nd grades—focuses on Torah stories, mitzvot, and Hebrew using the Hebrew through Movement approach. The middle class, the Yeladim ("children")—middle-elementary school-age—focuses on Jewish time: the yearly cycle of holidays and the cycle of life rituals. The oldest class, the Gedolim ("big ones")— upper-elementary up to bar/bat mitzvah age—centers on Jewish place: homes; communities around the world, including Israel; and houses of prayer. The students learn about the development of Jewish civilization in diverse localities and about ethical dilemmas we face as individuals and communities.

AARC BOOK GROUP

The AARC Book Group meets monthly to discuss an eclectic selection of books chosen by the group. The group meets in members' homes and is a friendly, cozy, intellectually-stimulating group open to all. At Contact Greg Saltzman at gsaltzman@albion.edu

AYEKA CAFE: AYEKA?

How are you at this moment in time? A monthly gathering to explore individual answers in a variety of modalities: through spiritual chevrutah, writing, and/or art-making. Held on first Thursday of the month in a public cafe. Contact Rabbi Ora for more info at rabbi@aarecon.com

SHIREI HAKELILA/SONGS OF THE COMMUNITY:

Once a month, gather in a member's home for open singing and jamming! Contact Paul Resnick: resnic at paul@gmail.com

TA-SHMA/COME AND LEARN:

From 10 to 10:30 a.m. on Second Saturdays, Rabbi Ora leads a half-hour of pre-service learning and discussion. A standard Shabbat service will follow each 'Ta–Shma' session, beginning at 10:30 a.m..

THIRD AGE:

Third Age is the over-60 group, and meets monthly on second Sundays at the JCC or a coffee shop. Also, at least one outing a month and cultural events,. Contact Marcy Epstein: dr_marcy@hotmail.com

BETH ISRAEL CONGREGATION (CONSERVATIVE)

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Established in 1916, Beth Israel has been a vital presence in the spiritual, social and educational lives of its members for over 95 years. The congregation, a member of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, is a welcoming and warm community which fosters a connectedness to a rich tradition; embraces innovative and creative programming, and provides an important support system for its members in times of celebration and in times of need.

Rabbi Nadav Caine was ordained at the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies in 2011, coming to Beth Israel from Ner Tamid in Powy, California. He is married to Lynne and is the father of two daughters, aged 7 and 5 years old.

Beth Israel offers religious services that are traditional in form, egalitarian in nature, and participatory in practice. The services feature a wonderful sense of fellowship and community. Congregants take leading roles in the conducting of all services. All are encouraged to review or learn new synagogue skills and to read from the Torah, chant the haftarah, or lead services, with instruction provided by Ritual Assistant Ron Sussman. An egalitarian daily minyan, led by congregants is held Sunday–Thursday at 7:30 p.m. (5 p.m. on winter Sundays.) Friday evening Shabbat services take place at 6 p.m. and Saturday morning Shabbat services begin at 9:30 a.m.

Recognizing the critical importance of Jewish learning for all ages, the congregation provides classes for children and youth, and many opportunities for adult education throughout the year. Social and recreational activities which allow people to get to know each other better and programs emphasizing tikkun olam are an important part of congregational life. A deep relationship to Israel is fostered through teen scholarships, congregation trips, dialogue programs and the planning and hosting of a moving communitywide Yom Hazikaron (Israeli Fallen Soldiers and Victims of Terrorism Remembrance Day) Ceremony.

Beth Israel serves the homeless during Christmas through the Rotating Overflow Shelter program, provides volunteers to the Interfaith Hospitality Network at Alpha House for homeless families, runs a blood drive in the spring, and maintains a garden which supplies fresh vegetables to hunger programs. The Beth Israel Mitzvah Connection organizes volunteers for phone calls and visits to the frail elderly who are homebound, as well as meals, rides, and errands to congregants who need them. Non-members are always invited to participate in all of Beth Israel activities. New residents of Washtenaw County since last Yom Kippur may request free tickets to the High Holiday services. Individuals and families aged 35 and under may join the congregation in their first year for a dues of $300 (plus United Synagogue dues of $37.25).

BETH ISRAEL PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT

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The Program Department provides high quality, experiential and informal Jewish learning opportunities for youth, adults and families.

SHABBAT, HOLIDAY AND OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND MEALS

Beth Israel hosts a number of Shabbat and holiday events as a means of getting to know other members of the synagogue community and enhance one's celebration of Shabbat and holidays. In the summer, Beth Israel offers a Bubbles, Bounce, Barbecue and Barchu which concludes with an outdoor Friday night service, and a Relaxation Erev Shabbat with Barbecue and Barchu. Holiday events include "Pizza in the Hut" on Sukkot, an International Shul of Pancakes breakfast offered between the Shaharit Service and the Torah processionals on Simchat Torah, Steak and Salmon in the Sukkah, Latkes and Libation, and a Tu B'shvat Seder. A T Shirt and Baseball Cap Shabbat on a spring Saturday morning is followed by a hot dog/veggie dog kiddush. On Sweatshirt Shabbat everyone is encouraged to wear a sweatshirt to a winter Shabbat morning service, followed by a cholent Kiddush.

THE BETH ISRAEL GARDEN

Each summer Beth Israel members maintain a community garden at County Farm Park where they grow flowers and vegetables to donate to Food Gatherers through the "Faith and Food" program to help others in the Community.

QUIZ NIGHT

A highlight of the programming year is the annual Beth Israel Quiz Night, a multimedia trivia competition held in January. Adults of all ages compete as teams to answer trivia questions, audio and video clues, and other puzzles in a fun filled, social evening.

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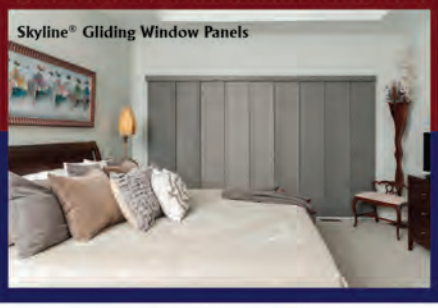
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SHABBAT MORNING PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Beth Israel offers Shabbat morning programs and services especially for children. Tot Shabbat meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month and features a Shabbat celebration for preschoolers and a parent which feature interactive stories and songs, a Torah parade, and a visit from the Rabbi. Mini-minyan, an engaging Shabbat service for school-age children, also meets on the same days as Tot Shabbat.

HIGH HOLIDAY PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS

High Holiday celebrations begin with a Rosh Hashanah Family Celebration on the afternoon of Erev Rosh Hashanah. Preschool and early elementary school-age children learn about and celebrate the High Holidays through songs, stories, the sounding of the Shofar, and a special Rosh Hashanah snack. On the mornings of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur two hour programs for different age groups are held.

PURIM CELEBRATION

The entire congregation gets into the act by dressing up in costumes (adults as well as children) and participating in a themed Purim Megilla Reading on Erev Purim. Past events include a Sitcom Purim and Haman v Esther: A Super Hero Purim.

INTERFAITH PROGRAMS

Beth Israel is an active member of the interfaith community. Participation in community interfaith events is encouraged and often interfaith educational gatherings are hosted at the synagogue. Beth Israel has supported the Interfaith Round Table of Washtenaw County since its founding in 1995.

ADULT EDUCATION

Many classes and lectures are offered throughout the year at Wednesday Lunch

and Learn sessions; Shabbat Limmud text study classes on the weekly Torah portion and other topics; special holiday study sessions; a traditional late night Tikkun Leil Shavuot study program, educational programs facilitated by Rabbi Nadav Caine; and adult Hebrew classes jointly sponsored by Temple Beth Emeth.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

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Beth Israel Religious School (BIRS) provides an exceptional educational program, which includes Hebrew reading and conversational skills, prayer, Bible, history, and values. At BIRS, students learn through doing: the calendar includes Shabbat services and Friday night dinners, a Mitzvah Day, and holiday family celebrations.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Children ages 3 and 4 and a parent are encouraged to join in the fun activities of the Sunday eight-session Gan Katan program. Children and parents enjoy stories and activities together. Gan Katan is open to the entire community regardless of synagogue membership.

ELEMENTARY PROGRAM

Grades K–1 meets on Sunday mornings. Grade 2–5 meet on Sunday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. BIRS students are introduced to Jewish learning through a program rich in Jewish experiences. Music, games, age appropriate prayer, stories and crafts are all part of the weekly classroom routines. Elementary students build their knowledge of Hebrew reading, writing and siddur (prayer book) skills each year. The study of conversational Hebrew helps students develop fluid reading skills and appreciate Hebrew as a living language that connects them to Israel and the worldwide Jewish community. Students develop skills and knowledge of text, ethics and values, and Jewish practice. Holidays provide times to celebrate with family or school wide programs. Planned for this year are Pizza in the Hut Family Dinner; Family Hanukkah program; Family Mitzvah Day, and Purim Celebration

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JEWISH JOURNEYS MIDDLE SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

Middle School students and their families experience a multifaceted experience designed to maximize student and family engagement. The program incorporates elements such as Limmud mini-courses, Havurah small group meetings, Family Journey Events, and individual bar/bat mitzvah tutoring. Grade 6 meets on Sunday mornings, Wednesday afternoons, and selected Shabbat mornings throughout the year. Grade 7 meets on Sunday mornings, with Havurah (small group) weekly meetings. Grade 8 meets on Sunday mornings, with the Jewish Lens photography curriculum and opportunities for Jewish service learning.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ADVANCED HEBREW

BIRS works cooperatively with Temple Beth Emeth to offer conversational Hebrew at an immersion level for students who have attended Hebrew Day School in the past, as well as other students who have an extensive Hebrew background. The class is open to all, regardless of congregational membership.

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Students continue to participate in the school and the synagogue throughout their high school careers. The Madrichim Program has two tracks: students in the Educational Assistants Track work with elementary students, and students in the Service Learning Track spend most Sunday mornings volunteering in the community. Students from the two tracks engage in regular study sessions with the rabbis, and join together for social and group building activities. They may also get involved in other synagogue and community activities, such as: taking Hebrew classes through Keshet Ann Arbor, and participating in Beth Israel's Alternative Spring Break Trip. High school students are also encouraged to attend a summer teen program to Israel and may apply for a Ladin Israel Teen Trip Scholarship to help with the expenses.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Family Programs offer great opportunities to celebrate holidays together as a community, such as Pizza in the Hut which includes a pizza dinner in Beth Israel's sukkah.

CONGREGATION BETH CHABAD

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Rabbi Aharon and Esther Goldstein

Chabad is a Chasidic ideology. The name Chabad is a Hebrew acronym for the three intellectual faculties of: *Chachmah* (wisdom), *Binah* (comprehension) and *Da'at* (knowledge). The Chabad philosophy encourages individuals to understand and recognize the importance and unique mission of each creature, and to refine and govern their every act and feeling through wisdom, comprehension and knowledge.

Chabad House and its Congregation Chabad serve as a "home away from home" for Jewish students, as well as a synagogue and gathering place for families in the Ann Arbor great area. Under the guidance of Rabbi Aharon and Esther Goldstein, Congregation Chabad reaches out to all Jews regardless of age, affiliation or level of observance. Located on the University of Michigan campus, Congregation Chabad is dedicated to increasing the understanding and knowledge of Judaism and to actively serving and improving the community.

Jewish education is a high priority at Congregation Chabad, where a wide variety of classes are available on a nearly daily basis. Courses include: Insights into the Torah Portion, Jewish Mysticism (Tanya), Hebrew Language, History and Approaches to Jewish Prayer, Talmud study group, Jewish law and general topics in Judaism. Everyone is welcome regardless of one's previous background and knowledge, and classes are free of charge and open to the public. Private classes are also available.

Services are conducted year-round in conformance with traditional Jewish law and practice. Hebrew prayer books are available with English or Russian translations. Shabbat evening services begin 15 minutes before sundown Fridays during the school year and at 7 p.m. during the summer. Shabbat morning services begin at 9:45 a.m. Shabbat afternoon and evening services 40 minutes before sundown all year round. Daily services are held in conjunction with the Hillel Orthodox Minyan, starting at 7:30 a.m. during the week and at 9 a.m. on Sunday. Sunday, Thursday and Friday morning services take place at Chabad House; Monday through Wednesday services are held at Hillel.

Chabad plays an active role in the local Jewish community. Holiday highlights include shofar making at the JCCs Apples and Honey event. Adult and children's programs for Rosh Hashanah, Sukkot Chanukah, Purim, Lag B'omer and Shavuot. Distribution of shalach manot (gift baskets) for Purim, Shmurah Matzah for Passover and a Passover model matzah bakery.

Chabad provides a place where lifecycle events can be commemorated and

celebrated. Jewish services offered throughout the year include rabbinical advice, information and help on koshering home kitchens, provision of religious articles at cost, renting furnished rooms for students and visitors, providing Shabbat and holiday hospitality, meals, counseling, lectures and classes. Judaic and bar/bat mitzvah tutoring for children and adults is offered.

Chabad House facilities are available to all Jews in the community for the pursuit of Jewish knowledge and for contact with other Jews. Its hospitality and home-like atmosphere are appreciated by students and by visitors to the area. A Rosh Chodesh group for women only is provided and a mikvah is located on the premises (see Women's Organizations). Congregation Chabad also offers a wide array of other services and programs. Chabad House is also a center for Jewish students at the University of Michigan (see Campus Organizations). For children, Chabad offers Hebrew School at Chabad and a winter and summer day camp, and Camp Gan Israel (see Youth Activities).

JEWISH CULTURAL SOCIETY

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The Jewish Cultural Society (JCS) is a secular humanistic organization that promotes Jewish ethics, values, history, and culture. It provides a community for individuals and families whose Jewish identification is primarily with culture and family. The JCS takes pride in the fact that its membership is diverse. All individuals and families — young and elderly, traditional and nontraditional, Jewish and intercultural — who wish to express their Jewishness from a secular humanistic perspective, are welcome.

Founded in 1965, the JCS stresses the cultural aspects of Jewish traditions, Jewish history as a source of ethics and strength, and the values of humanism and social justice found in both modern and historical Judaism. The community offers engaging Sunday school and B'nai Mitzvah programs (pre-K through high school), as well as enriching adult educational and social programs.

Lifecycle events are celebrated in a secular and humanistic manner, as are monthly Friday evening Shabbat observances and the Jewish holidays.

The JCS is based at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor and is affiliated with the Congress of Secular Jewish Organizations.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS

Every fall the Jewish Cultural Society offers secular humanistic Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre, and Yom Kippur observances, primarily in English. These events are held at the JCC and are open to the public. The messages of the High Holiday observances are refection, responsibility, and forgiveness. The observances are a rededication to communal and individual actions that improve the community and the world. Songs are sung in Hebrew, Yiddish, and English and are led by the JCS choir. Tashlich is observed along the banks of the Huron River, followed by a community picnic. The JCS community also comes together for a "Break-the-Fast" potluck after Yom Kippur. All observances are free to members and open to the public for a small charge.

Other holiday celebrations include a Sukkot harvest celebration, a family Chanukah party, a Tu b'Shevat celebration and a Purim carnival. In addition, the Jewish Cultural Society holds a popular 2nd Night Seder each Passover. The contemporary Haggadah that is used was developed by JCS members. The seder includes songs and poetry and offers a spotlight for JCS students to participate in the readings. The seder emphasizes the continuing need to work for freedom throughout the world. A communitywide vegetarian potluck follows.

SHABBAT OBSERVANCES

The recognition of Shabbat as a time to step away from one's daily life and focus on family is an important part of secular humanistic Jewish practice. The JCS community meets for Shabbat on the first Friday of (almost) each month. These observances are open to the whole community. Shabbat is celebrated through secular Jewish readings, singing, candle lighting, challah and wine rituals, and a Yahrtzeit observance to remember loved ones.

Following the Shabbat observance, the community shares a catered dinner from a local Ann Arbor restaurant. After dinner, educational or social programs are offered, such as discussing a topic of interest, playing Jewish Jeopardy, or listening to a bar or bat mitzvah student make a presentation. The First Friday Shabbat is celebrated at the JCC and participants of all ages are welcome.

LIFE-CYCLE OBSERVANCES

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namings, a special Shabbat ceremony offers each young student a chance to select or affirm his or her Jewish name. This community-wide life-cycle event provides the students with the opportunity to learn about the people for whom they are named. The JCS two-year Bar and Bat Mitzvah program is unique and meaningful. An adult B'nai Mitzvah class is also available for members who request it. Participants, in collaboration with the leader, plan the curriculum content and pace. The adult Mitzvah Ceremony culminates the approximately two-year program.

As the JCS madrikha, Julie Gales works closely with individuals and families to develop very personal weddings, funerals, memorials, and unveilings. The JCS has a Memorial Garden at Arborcrest Cemetery in northeast Ann Arbor.

JEWISH CULTURAL SCHOOL

The Jewish Cultural School (pre-K through 7th grade) is the Sunday school program of the Jewish Cultural Society. The goal of the program is to expose students to the scope of Jewish life over 4,000 years to engender in them an appreciation for Jewish history, culture, and ethics. Learning is participatory and active. Students sing, create art, cook, and hear and tell stories. The school runs from September through May.

The students learn about Jewish holidays with an emphasis on their relevance today. They also study Jewish life in biblical times and the Middle Ages; Jewish culture in the Middle East and America; anti-Semitism and the Holocaust; and secular humanistic Jewish philosophers. Field trips (such as to the Holocaust Museum in Farmington Hills for the older youth) and simulations (such as the bi-annual Ellis Island reenactment) are integrated into the curriculum. There is a strong emphasis on active and participatory social action. Although everything is taught in English, students are introduced to basic key words in Hebrew and Yiddish. The curriculum continually evolves through student, parent, and teacher input. In this way, the school supports the students in the development of a positive Jewish identity. Parent involvement in the Jewish Cultural School is welcomed and encouraged. Parents actively participate in their children's education by teaching, helping in their child's classroom, or helping in the planning and running of holiday celebrations.

B'NAI MITZVAH PROGRAM

Jewish Cultural Society's B'nai Mitzvah Program offers a unique and meaningful way to transition children into Jewish communal life. This program, which begins in the sixth grade and is a two-year process, includes independent research on Jewish topics chosen by the students. Participants distill the information into short oral or multimedia presentations given at a First Friday Shabbat observance or other gathering of families of the B'nai Mitzvah class. The topics cover everything from Masada to shtetl life in Russia to Marc Chagall to Black/Jewish relations in the Civil Rights Movement. The students also research their own families' stories, and work on a Jewish Identity Project that helps them to solidify their own ideas about what it means to be Jewish. In keeping with the secular humanistic Jewish emphasis on social justice, there is a 30-hour community service commitment to a project chosen by the student. Students volunteer for local organizations, such as Meals on Wheels, Lurie Terrace, Peace Neighborhood Center, and many others.

This effort culminates in a bar or bat mitzvah celebration, usually during the seventh grade. Each ceremony is a unique collaboration written by the students and their parents with help from the JCS madrikha, Julie Gales, who presides over the events. The mitzvah celebrations are held at the Jewish Community Center or at another location of the bar/bat mitzvah family's choice.

OLDER YOUTH ACTIVITIES

After bar or bat mitzvah, students are encouraged to continue their involvement in the JCS by joining the Tzofim Program. This program includes leadership opportunities and discussions focusing on contemporary Jewish identity, as defined through history and culture. The program also provides an opportunity for students to work as aides in the classroom and help plan holiday programs and other community-wide events. The post-bar/ bat mitzvah-age youth may also attend the annual Congress of Secular Jewish Organizations' conference that takes place each Memorial Day weekend in different locations across North America.

ADULT ACTIVITIES

The JCS offers a variety of educational and social programs for adults throughout the school year. The JCS also co-sponsors presentations with the Jewish Community Center and other Jewish community groups. Adult input into all of the JCS activities is encouraged and appreciated.

The Jewish Cultural Society's Third Friday Chavurah takes the form of a monthly potluck for older members held in rotation at the homes of the participants. Meeting regularly since 1990, the group has spawned close friendships and lively conversations. Some of the members were among the original founders of the Jewish Cultural School in 1965. Others have helped organize the 50 years of archival documents that contain the impressive history of the organization.

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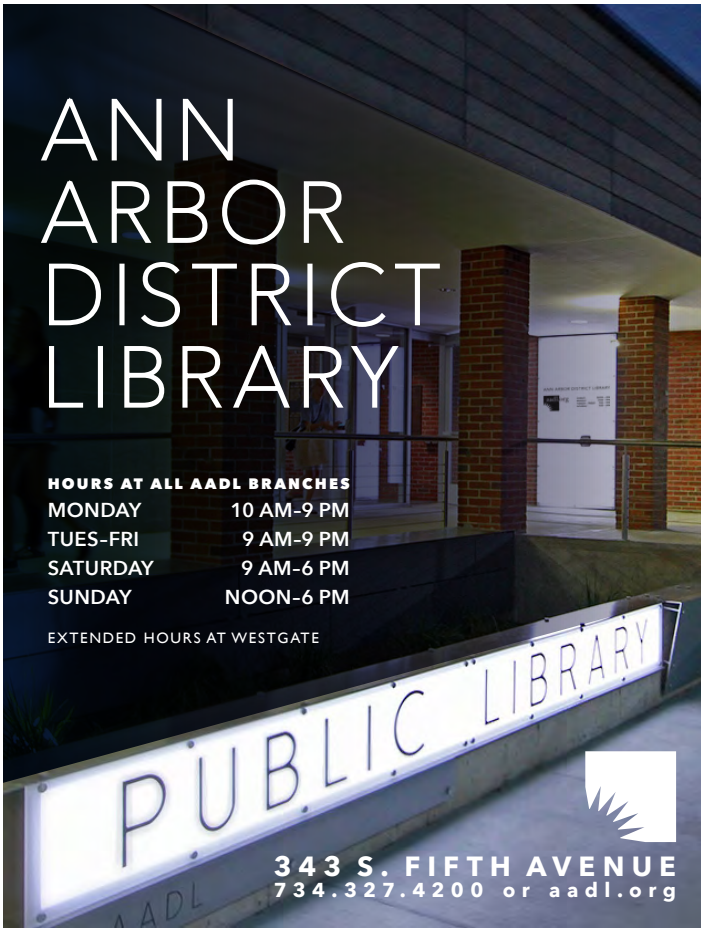

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TEMPLE BETH EMETH

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Temple Beth Emeth is a Reform Congregation, affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism, committed to enhancing religious life in Ann Arbor through religious, spiritual, cultural, educational, social action and social programming. The congregation strives to create a sense of family, a "caring community," for all its members—a place in which its members can celebrate their joys or share difficult moments surrounded by people who care.

TBE continues to cater to a diverse congregation by providing a spectrum of Shabbat services that meet the various needs and spiritual journeys of its members. Every Friday evening, Shabbat begins with Tot Shabbat and Step Up Shabbat at 5:45 p.m. Parents and children are invited for dinner at 6:15 p.m. Dinner concludes with a popsicle Oneg. At 7:30 p.m. there is a service using the Reform prayer book, *Mishkan Teflah*.

Shabbat morning begins with a Torah study led by Rabbi Whinston. On weeks without a bar or bat mitzvah, Kaddish will be said at the conclusion of Torah Study. TBE clergy lead Shabbat morning services in the sanctuary at 10 a.m. on weeks when there is a bar or bat mitzvah. Prayer is the heart of the congregation.

Holidays provide the perfect venue for festive events. TBE has a family Sukkot picnic with sukkah decorating. Simchat Torah combines two events, an early celebration with singing and dance, and a later adult Torah study. The Family Chanukah Service and the Brotherhood Latke Dinner have become TBE traditions, with families bringing their menorahs to light during the service. TBE's Community Seder celebrates Passover in the spirit of joining. A meaningful Yom HaShoah/ Holocaust Memorial Service is written and led by the Generations After group, children of survivors.

ADULT CHOIR

Jewish music plays an important role at TBE under the direction of Cantor Regina Hayut. The Adult Choir, Kol Halev, sings during High Holy Day services, periodically at Friday night services and at concerts throughout the year. Kol Halev are veterans of two international concert tours and several concerts with the Ann Arbor Symphony. Highlights of the Kol Halev year may include an annual concert with the adult choir of St Clare's Episcopal Church, a Cabaret Night in which members cook a delicious dinner and entertain the community, and an all ensemble concert featuring all of the performing groups of TBE.

YOUTH, MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL ENSEMBLES

Kol No'ar, TBE's Youth Choir, is made up of students in grades 3–5. While the main goal of Kol No'ar is to mesh the love of music and singing with Jewish learning through lively rehearsals, the group also has lots of fun performing in services and concerts at the temple and in the community during the course of the year. Shir Chadash, the Middle and High School student choral and instrumental ensembles, perform in services and concerts and periodically hold "Cafe" evenings of music in an informal cafe atmosphere. This year, the Shir Chadash Band will be directed by Andrew Peck, a recent graduate of the Jazz Music program at the University of Michigan, and will have separate rehearsal and performance opportunities for students of varying levels of instrumental

proficiency. Adding to the excitement of and in collaboration with the revamped instrumental program, the choral program will include writing, producing, and performing in the first ever student-run Purim Spiel.

SOCIAL ACTION

The mission of the Social Action Committee of Temple Beth Emeth is to assist the congregation in applying Jewish values to promoting social justice through aid, education, and advocacy. These efforts to promote tikkun olam vary from year to year depending on local, regional and global issues of relevance to our goals in promoting peace and equality.

Social action takes many forms at Temple Beth Emeth, TBE members work jointly with St. Clare's Episcopal Church on several ongoing activities including: The Back Door Food Pantry, the Food and Faith Garden, the Interfaith Hospitality Network at Alpha House, the Food Gatherer's Community Kitchen at the Delonis Center, and hosting the Shelter Association's Rotating Shelter during Thanksgiving week. This year both congregations and Blue Ocean Faith will be working with Jewish Family Services to support refugee resettlement efforts. Other outreach efforts include connections with projects to promote peace and cooperation in Israel such as Hand in Hand schools; Rabbis for Human Rights; Zeitouna Im; and dialogue and interfaith worship between Christian, Muslim and Jewish leaders in our community through the Niagra Foundation, celebrating Eid al Fitr which

marks the break the fast at the end of Ramadan. Annually, TBE members volunteer at sites throughout our community during Mitzvah Day.

BROTHERHOOD AND WOMEN OF TBE

Women of TBE is a vibrant organization with broad-based activities that support both its members and the congregation as a whole. Members also run the gift shop that offers a wide selection of Judaica, gifts, and special order items. Brotherhood is both a service and educational group for the congregation, sponsoring the latke dinner, building the sukkah, and holding both social and educational meetings for its members. (*See additional sections on Men's and Women's organizations for details and contact information.*)

ADULT EDUCATION

TBE offers a wide variety of educational opportunities for adults, at every entry point. They include semester courses in special topics, study with Rabbi Whinston and Cantor Hayut, weekly Shabbat Morning Torah Study, a Shabbaton (extended Shabbat programming) with a scholar-in-residence, book clubs, bi-monthly Men's and Women's Torah Study, educational holiday programs, and a themed lecture series. Cantor Emerita Rose will again be facilitating a Spirituality Book Club this year, offered as both an evening and daytime class. Programs are open to temple members and to members of the community-at-large. For information, call (734) 665-4744. Stay connected to TBE through the website and become a "friend" on Facebook.

CARING COMMUNITY

The Caring Community program provides a congregation-wide opportunity to serve fellow congregants in times of joy and sorrow. Through the Caring Community Volunteer Corps (CCVC) congregants assist each other with meals for families with new babies, for congregants that are ill or recovering from surgery, or for a house of mourning. CCVC also provides rides during the day to doctor's appointments and rides to and from services and events at TBE. Bikkur Cholim provides visits to members of the TBE community who are hospitalized, in nursing or assisted living centers, or at home. Nachamu (TBE's Bereavement Group) conducts shiva services at congregants' homes and provides training for others to participate in this mitzvah. Caregiver support groups meet to support adult children caring for parents living locally and out of town.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

Services and special celebrations are planned throughout the year on festivals and other holidays. During Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, the congregation offers traditional services along with family services, youth services and a special service for tots and their parents. High Holy Day Services are held at Pease Auditorium on the EMU campus on both Erev Rosh

Hashanah and Kol Nidre, and the mornings of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Afternoon and concluding Yom Kippur Services return to the temple on Packard Street. There are separate services each holiday for AARTY (Grades 9-12). Community members may purchase tickets by contacting the office or using the order form on the website. University students are welcome to attend the services at no charge. Call the office to arrange for tickets. Sukkot and Simchat Torah include an outdoor sukkah decorating party, services, Israeli dancing and multiple adult study opportunities. The Brotherhood sponsors a latke dinner each Chanukah, which is followed by a service lit by everyone's menorahs. In the spring, a large annual Seder is held that is open to the entire community. Every year, the Generations After group (TBE

children and relatives of survivors) write a meaningful Yom Hashoah service for the observance of Holocaust Remembrance Day and a supplemental afternoon service for Yom Kippur. Spring brings a fun megillah reading and Purim carnival. Shavuot brings the special confirmation service that is written and led by the confirmation class as well as an evening of adult study.

MORE SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Ruach and Renaissance Group, for members over 40, holds potluck dinners, game nights, and attends theater events, as well as other social activities in an effort to encourage connections among members who no longer have children in the Religious School. Watch for new and exciting programs this year.

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ADULT PROGRAMMING @ THE J

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From lectures to lunch to exercise, there is a lot to do at the J. Low-Impact exercise meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays and benefits the entire body with a variety of techniques including Chinese self-massage and Tai Chi. On Tuesdays and Thursdays the J hosts a Lunch Café featuring vegetarian, nut-free meals prepared by local caterer Karan Balmer. Lunch is available for $5.50 or the $3 discounted rate for individuals over 60 years of age. Menus are available on the J's website jccannarbor.org or by calling (734) 971-0990 (please reserve lunch at least one day in advance). Enjoy your lunch while watching a guest lecture or performance during the J's Third Thursdays @ the J, held the third Thursday of each month at noon. The J also hosts concerts on other days of the week featuring the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra chamber ensembles and soloists. Other programs include weekly current events discussions, Yiddish Reader's Circle, health screenings, an annual Red Cross blood drive, and a variety of wellness options such as Zumba (intense), Callanetics, and Tai Chi. There are also many intergenerational activities hosted in conjunction with the Hebrew Day School of Ann Arbor and the J's Early Childhood Center. Those interested can request that they be added to the mailing list for Spotlight, the monthly adult program guide, or contact Rachael directly by calling (734) 971-0990 or emailing rachaelhoffenblum@jccannarbor.org.

CHAVERIM B'SHIRIM

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Chaverim B'Shirim is an all-volunteer choir, performing non-liturgical music by Jewish composers whose music spans from the 1600s of Salamone de Rossi to the music of today. The choir has performed the music of George Gershwin, Isaac Dunayevsky, Kurt Weill,

Stephen Sondheim, Harold Rome, and others. Director Marilyn Krimm has a doctor of musical arts degree from the University of Michigan. She has had extensive experience with Jewish music and choral groups, here and in New York. Singers of all ages and vocal levels are welcome. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, 7–8:30 p.m., at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor. The group performs at the JCC one concert a year in May or June.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS @ THE J

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The J is committed to enhancing the physical and mental wellness of community members and provides many opportunities throughout the year. A2 Rikud provides weekly Israeli Dancing on Wednesday evenings. Fitness classes include Zumba, Low Impact Exercise, Callanetics, and other options like Yoga and meditation on Thursday evenings.

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Israeli dancing group of Ann Arbor meets every Wednesday evening, 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor. Easier dances and oldies take place from 7:30–8:30 p.m., intermediate and requests until 9:30 p.m. Newcomers are always welcome and encouraged to join in. Learn the latest Israeli dances and request your favorites. ($5 per session.) For more information email or call for schedule updates

LIMMUD MICHIGAN

webpage: www.limmudmichigan.org

Limmud Michigan is an all-volunteer run festival and celebration of Jewish thought, culture, learning, teaching and fun! Dedicated to the Jewish experience and exploration in all its variety, Limmud is committed to harnessing the energy of people from across the Jewish community and across the region. This year's event will be held on Sunday, March 31, 2019, at the Jewish Community Center in West Bloomfield.

Volunteer and mini-Limmuds will be held throughout Southeast Michigan all year. Volunteers and participants can register via the website. Go to www.limmudmichigan.org if you are interested in volunteering on any of the planning teams.

RAOUL WALLENBERG ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

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Raoul Wallenberg proved to the world that one person can make a difference in the face of evil. A Swedish citizen who graduated with the highest honors from the University of Michigan in 1935, Wallenberg volunteered during World War II to serve as a U.S. envoy in Hungary. There, his incomparable personal courage and ingenuity saved 100,000 Jewish lives. Today Raoul Wallenberg is recognized as one of the great humanitarians of the twentieth century; he is also one of the University of Michigan's most distinguished alumni.

The Wallenberg Endowment funds an annual lecture and medal presentation to honor this international hero, whose character was partly shaped by his years in school here. Since 1990, this endowed program at the University of Michigan has awarded an annual Wallenberg Medal to an individual whose humanitarian actions exemplify those of Raoul Wallenberg. The medalist program has brought the twentieth century's most outstanding humanitarians to campus to tell their stories.

Wallenberg Medal recipients include, among others, Nobel laureates Elie Wiesel; His Holiness the Dalai Lama; Miep Gies, the woman who supported Anne Frank and her family in hiding; and Bryan Stevenson, founder of the Equal Justice Initiative.

The Wallenberg Committee deeply believes that young people must be told the story of Raoul Wallenberg. When Wallenberg's sister, Nina Lagergren, came from Sweden in the fall of 2001 to accept the Wallenberg Medal on behalf of her brother, she emphasized in her lecture the importance of reaching out to young people. It is, after all, the best way to begin to change the world. The Wallenberg Committee believes that the example of Raoul Wallenberg can turn young people from helpless cynicism to resolute hopefulness and to awaken them to the belief that one person can make a difference.

YIDISH TISH, (YIDDISH CONVERSATIONAL GROUP)

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Elliot H. Gertel, facilitator

Please Note: Until further notice, the group will meet at Panera Bread Café, 777 North University Avenue, corner of North University and South Thayer by Central Campus of the University of Michigan. Call or e-mail for location information; the group may move to a new permanent venue in September 2018.

Spend a heymish hour and a half in "der alter heym" speaking and listening to mame-loshn, Yiddish. This informal conversational group, which has been meeting at various locations on and near the University of Michigan Central Campus for more than 15 years, is free and open to all lovers of Yiddish language and culture, no matter what level of proficiency, regardless of age, and whether affiliated with the University of Michigan or not. All manner of topics are discussed, with an emphasis on improving participants' Yiddish speaking skills, especially vocabulary. Everyone is welcome to join in at any time, or to just listen. The group meets every Tuesday (except major Jewish holidays and January 1, July 4, the week of Ann Arbor Art Fair, and the last week of December) all year round at 1:30 p.m.

YIDDISH READERS' CIRCLE @ THE J

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Rachael Hoffenblum, operations manager and adult program coordinator

The Yiddish Literature Circle meets every Friday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. at the J to explore Yiddish literature, poetry, and culture. Examples of authors typically read include Shalom Aleichem, I.J. Singer, Sholem Asch, and more. Join the resurgence of interest in this newly revived language. No prior Yiddish knowledge required.

men's organizations

TEMPLE BETH EMETH BROTHERHOOD

website: www.templebethemeth.org/community/brotherhood
Bill Parkus, president

Temple Beth Emeth Brotherhood is an organization dedicated to nurturing men's involvement in Temple life. Its goal is to assist members to become better Jews and better men through increased participation in Temple and Brotherhood activities. Active involvement in the congregations brings members together spiritually and socially. Brotherhood is dedicated to programming that is meaningful and relevant to its members. An up-to-date calendar can be found on the group's webpage, as well as photos of past events.

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women's organizations

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Hadassah is the largest women's organization and the largest Jewish membership organization in the United States. Ann Arbor Hadassah, an organization of over 450 members, has a rich history of activism. It is an organization for women of all ages, providing social outlets and educational opportunities that raise awareness and empower women. Local Hadassah activities include Game Night or "Mahj Mixer" and several interest groups, including Mahjong and Book Club. The chapter hosts various fundraising eforts, such as a rummage re-sale and a donor campaign. Programs that beneft from the fundraisers include the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem, the Hadassah College Jerusalem, Youth Aliyah/ Children at Risk, and the Jewish National Fund. Hadassah annual dues are $36 and life membership is currently $250

JEWISH WOMEN'S CIRCLE

Chabad House, 715 Hill Street 48104
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Esther Goldstein, coordinator

The Jewish Women's Circle brings together Jewish women of all ages and backgrounds to learn, laugh, experience and rejuvenate the mind, body and soul. Each of their meetings features lively, meaningful discussions, a great do-it-yourself activity, delicacies to taste, a chance to socialize, and the opportunity to meet new friends. Jewish Women's Circle is a friendship group of Jewish women who meet 6–7 times a year to share creativity, support, and education. The Jewish Women's Circle of Washtenaw County is open to all women in the community as they learn, explore Jewish topics, and celebrate Jewish femininity. To receive invitations to upcoming events, call (734) 995-3276.

MIKVAH ISRAEL

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From time immemorial the mikvah has been the foundation of Jewish family life. The mikvah is a haven of holiness for the community.

The word "*mikvah*" means "a gathering of water" natural water. Built according to exact rules of dimension and acceptable source of natural water, a mikvah is a small pool, usually about four feet deep, filled with clean, clear water.

On Masada and in ancient Jerusalem you will find mikvahs uncovered after thousands of years. They testify to the historic continuum of the tradition of mikvah.

Today, most Jewish communities boast a mikvah that is modern and bright with beautifully appointed preparation and dressing rooms and a mikvah pool that is heated and scrupulously clean.

In Hebrew, natural spring water is called "living water." With its clear waters, the mikvah is a powerful symbol of life and rebirth. Throughout our history, the ritual of mikvah immersion has been a means of spiritual purification, helping us prepare for events of great spiritual significance. In ancient times, the high priest of the Temple in Jerusalem immersed himself in the mikvah five separate times during the services for Yom Kippur, each time reaching a higher spiritual level.

In our time, the mikvah is mainly used as a vital part of the Laws of Family Purity. As it has always been the role of a Jewish wife to set the spiritual tone of her home, it is the Jewish wife who ensures the spiritual dimension of the intimate marriage relationship.

The community mikvah (ritual bath), located at Chabad House (715 Hill Street, at the corner of Oakland), is available for use by the Jewish community. The Ann Arbor Mikvah Israel facility employs a filtering pool heating system and is the only such facility between Detroit and Chicago.

Mikvah Israel supports and maintains the mikvah. A nominal donation is asked of all users.

Mikvah Israel also provides educational material for anyone interested in learning more about this mitzvah. Speakers are available for organizations.

ORT AMERICA

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Joan Levitt, president

Members of the Ann Arbor Chapter of ORT America raise money each year to support the World ORT global network of schools and programs. World ORT, the largest non-governmental Jewish education organization in the world, provides education and training with an emphasis on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) to over 300,000 individuals worldwide. It prepares students to launch productive careers and lead fulfilling lives in an increasingly higher-tech society.

The Ann Arbor Chapter of ORT will hold its Fall opening brunch on Sunday,

October 7, 2018. Current and prospective members of Ann Arbor ORT are welcome to attend. There will also be a Chanukah party in December and a Donor dinner in June, 2019, recognizing ORT's generous 2018 donors.

Members of the Ann Arbor ORT chapter may join the monthly Book Group, which discusses books of Jewish content. Tributes are available from the chapter. Annual donations of $36 or more are requested to maintain membership in ORT and to help World ORT fund its important programs. More information about Ann Arbor ORT is available at the website www.ortannarbor.org

Each year, over 300,000 students in 38 countries are trained and empowered by ORT's cutting-edge curriculum and strategic education initiatives. Closer to home, the Hermelin ORT Resource Center in West Bloomfield offers a wide range of classes and programs, including the very successful Better Jobs Opportunity Program, which provides free computer training courses to the unemployed and underemployed in southeastern Michigan.

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WTBE, a member of Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ), provides programs and services that reinforce education, companionship, social action and service to both the Temple and general community. Membership is open to the entire community.

Highlights: WTBE holds informal monthly lunches, afternoon and evening mahj groups, biweekly Women's Torah Study, periodic lectures, workshops, trips and activities. WTBE also sponsors the congregational Break-the-Fast. Each bar and bat mitzvah receives a kiddush cup from WTBE. First-time Jewish campers are eligible to receive scholarship support at a URJ camp from WTBE. They contribute to the TBE Youth Advisor's salary, to AARTY convention travel, and provide additional funds for special activities to the TBE religious school.

The entire community is encouraged to shop at the WTBE-run gift shop that carries a wide variety of Judaica in a broad price range. It is open most Mondays and Wednesdays from 4 to 6 p.m., and Fridays before services from 7–7:30 p.m. during the liturgical year. It is also open by appointment; contact Amy Paberzs (734) 668-6842; or amypab@hotmail.com).

A number of community non-profits receive donations or support through WTBE. Through their WRJ affiliation, WTBE contribute to rabbinic and cantorial scholarships at the Hebrew Union College in the US and the Leo Baeck Institute and Abraham Geiger College in Europe; the Jewish Braille Institute; the World Union for Progressive Judaism (WUPJ); as well as several Reform nursery schools and bat mitzah classes in Israel. WTBE board members benefit from WRJ leadership training and resource sharing at district and national meetings.

WTBE, as part of Women of Reform Judaism, has since its inception in 1913 been involved in Social Action. WRJ and WTBE support: the Jewish Braille Institute, World Union for Progressive Judaism (especially its program that supports teens in the Former Soviet Union going to Jewish Camps, and provides bat mitzvah classes for girls in Israel), and Women of the Wall. Women of TBE also support WRJ's advocacy for gun control, women's reproductive rights, children caught in the "school to prison pipeline," immigration reform, and the protection of voting rights.

campus organizations

CHABAD HOUSE AT UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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For over 40 years Chabad House has been a home-away-from home for the thousands of Jewish Students at the University of Michigan. Chabad anticipates and serves the needs of students on a social, educational and spiritual level. At Chabad, all students are welcome, regardless of background, affiliation, and level of observance.

Tradition: At Chabad, students have the ability to discover the warmth and beauty of their heritage, and learn to apply the timeless Jewish principle of Ahavat Israel (love of one's fellow Jew) — at their own pace.

Community: Chabad believes that family and community are vital keys to character building. That's why they open their homes to students, helping inspire them with a respect for family values and a deep meaningful concern for the land of Israel.

Future: Chabad believes that Jewish education and meaningful experiences are the grass-roots method to fighting indifference, apathy and assimilation that face the community today. For there to be a Jewish tomorrow, students need to have a Jewish today.

HILLEL AT EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

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HILLEL AT EMU

Hillel at Eastern Michigan University—where Jewish campus life begins. Exploring what makes us all uniquely Jewish and universally human in a welcoming and pluralistic environment,

Hillel at EMU is a group for all Jewish students, regardless of background or viewpoints. Their programs and events are student-driven and aim to connect the community with the campus. Whether enjoying a delicious Shabbat meal or traveling on and Alternative Break or Taglit-Birthright Israel trip, there are so many ways to become involved and make a diference in their tight-knit community.

Hillel at EMU is open to students from both Eastern Michigan University and Washtenaw Community College.

HILLEL CAMPUS ALLIANCE OF MICHIGAN

The Hillel Campus Alliance of Michigan is an alliance of campus Hillel's throughout Michigan. Serving students across the state since August 2007, HCAM is building dynamic and vibrant Jewish communities for Jewish students at Alma College, Albion College, Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Grand Valley State University, Kalamazoo College, Michigan Technological University, Northern Michigan University and Western Michigan University. Hillel staf meets with student leaders to determine their vision for Jewish life on their specifc campus and works closely with those leaders to make their vision a reality. As an organization, HCAM supports students with the tools to create vibrant Jewish life including funding, day-to-day staf supervision and student leadership development. HCAM also provides students with travel opportunities, internship and volunteer programs and the chance to participate in a variety of student leadership conferences. For more information on HCAM, visit www.h-cam.net.

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY JEWISH STUDIES

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Eastern Michigan University's Center for Jewish Studies offers courses concerned with the history of the Jewish people. It considers the cultural and intellectual gifts Jews have given the world as well as focusing on the Jewish faith, its richness, its intricacy, its demands, and its

complex and fascinating relationships with other religions. Interdisciplinary in design, EMU Jewish Studies draws on faculty expertise from throughout the university. It engages students in a wide realm of curricular and co-curricular activities.

Among the innovative classes offered by EMU Jewish Studies are domestic travel classes like "Becoming Jewish in America," and "Jewish Identity and the American Theater." Study abroad opportunities include "World War II and the Holocaust in Poland" and "The Question of Convivencia: Jews, Muslims and Christians in Medieval Spain;" this year the Center expects to offer, for the first time, a class in Israel, "Imagining the Holy Land." The Center for Jewish Studies provides a home for the online resource, Nineteenth-Century Jewish Life, and the linguistics/oral history project, Jewish Voices of Southeast Michigan.

The EMU Center for Jewish Studies functions as a gathering place for EMU's numerous ethnic communities to learn more about Jews and Judaism, a space to build bridges, to open and engage in discourse, to create new understandings between Jews and the many other groups that comprise the diverse culture of Southeast Michigan. Over the years, the Center's Lecture/Performance Series has provided relevant and accessible presentations by scholars, public intellectuals, and artists like Pamela Nadell, Jonathan Tropper, Jonathan Sarna, Rabbi Shmuly Yanklowitz, Michael Twitty, David Broza, and Galeet Dardashti and Divahn.

EMU's Center for Jewish Studies has partnered with the Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus in Farmington Hills, the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor, Temple Israel in West Bloomfeld, and The Ark. Collaborations have included the Schusterman Institute for Israel Studies at Brandeis, the Covenant Foundation, the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the Academic Engagement Network, the Pedagogical University, Krakow, Poland, and the Arbeitsstelle Holocaust literature at Justus Liebig University in Giessen, Germany.

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University of Michigan Hillel is unparalleled in terms of its size, diversity and quality of programming. U-M Hillel supports 50 independent student groups, spanning the full breadth of Jewish life. Each group provides opportunities for students to become involved as leaders, driving the programming and decision-making forward for their group and community. Students build leadership, engagement, and community-organizing skills through our Hillel that benefit them in their roles on campus, including employment, and in life long after they graduate.

Each group also provides the opportunity for students to access a community that meets their individual needs. With 50+ student groups, students can find opportunities to explore their identities and interests in a safe, supportive, fun and nurturing environment. Programming covers social, political, religious, cultural and educational areas, all intended to help students access Jewish life and community on their own terms. U-M Hillel offers concerts, lectures, films, classes, community service, yoga, religious services, discussion groups, dialogue, free Shabbat dinners for students, and a full kosher meal program. U-M Hillel takes more students to Israel on Taglit-Birthright Israel than any other Hillel in the country. Students can come to Hillel to hang out, catch a movie, eat delicious meals, study, hold a group meeting or do yoga. But the Hillel community is not defined by what happens in its building alone. One can experience Hillel in coffee shops, in residence halls, on the Diag, in their home, in Israel or in Detroit. Students are invited to drop in or contact Hillel to learn more about how to get connected or to suggest new ideas for programs.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING

While most of our programming is designed for and directed at students, Hillel invites the Ann Arbor community to join in major events that are promoted to the public, as well as for meals at our Hillel Café and religious services.

Hillel's Café serves gourmet kosher dinners Monday to Friday during the academic year for students and the community. Community members can drop in to purchase kosher dinners for eat-in or take-out. Friday night Shabbat dinners are available to U-M students at no charge.

Community members are invited to attend High Holiday Services offered through Hillel. Reform, Conservative and Orthodox services are offered free of charge for students. Community members are asked to purchase tickets. Please call the Hillel office for more details.

Hillel also hosts the Ann Arbor Orthodox Minyan in our space. Rabbi Jared Anstandig meets the needs of both the Orthodox student community as well as the broader Orthodox community of Ann Arbor. He oversees the kashrut of the Hillel Café.

ISRAEL GROUPS AND PROGRAMS

AMI, the American Movement for Israel, sponsors educational, political and cultural events and programs to promote support and understanding of Israel and its people.

iLead (Israel Leadership Education Advocaty and Dialogue) focuses on Israel, education, advocacy and engagement skill building among student leaders.

WolvPac provides students the opportunity to create tangible ties between our campus and Israel. This is done through working with campus and community leaders, as well as meeting with congressional leaders. Leaders in this group often attend the AIPAC Policy Conference and other AIPAC leadership training and trips to Israel.

JStreet Umich promotes progressive social and political issues and peace initiatives. The group also co-sponsors dialogue and discussion with other student groups on campus.

Resetting the Table strives to create dialogue within Jewish community about Israel, promotes conversation among people with diverse opinions, and provides opportunity for people to speak about Israel across conflict.

TAMID: Israel Investment Group pioneers the next generation of American commitment to Israel by connecting business- minded students with the Israeli economy.

U-M Hillel's **Taglit-Birthright** Israel trip provides an opportunity for an exhilarating free 10-day visit to Israel for students 18–26 during Winter break or in May.

From weekly classes to informal discussions to dialogue groups there is always Jewish learning going on at Hillel. What does Judaism offer you as you explore who you are becoming? How does your learning and community influence your beliefs? Hillel can help you explore these big questions and more.

Shulchan Ivrit provides a weekly opportunity for students of all levels of proficiency to speak Hebrew together.

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Hillel offers a variety of religious services on Friday nights and holidays: creative, musical Reform services; an egalitarian Conservative minyan; and Shalvah, a spirited "partnership minyan" with Carlebach melodies. The Orthodox minyan which serves students, faculty, and community members, holds weekly Shabbat services, and also regular daily services. Please contact Hillel for details on daily service times and locations.

OTHER PROGRAMS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Kol HaKavod is U-M Hillel's a cappella group. The ensemble performs a varied repertoire of close harmonies in English, Hebrew, and Ladino, with music taken from Jewish liturgical and historical sources, Israeli folk songs, and translated popular tunes. Kol HaKavod is always happy to perform for other organizations and events in Ann Arbor.

Golden Apple Award conducts a campus-wide nomination process to honor outstanding teaching by selecting an annual recipient of the Golden Apple Award. The winning U-M teacher, in addition to receiving a Golden Apple trophy, and a cash prize, delivers his or her ideal "last lecture." The Golden Apple Award is sponsored by Hillel and is co-sponsored by more 20 U-M academic units and student groups.

Consider Magazine is a publication presenting different viewpoints on a variety of issues, both local and

international. It is available in racks at Hillel and in most major university buildings.

jUnion —the Jewish Graduate student network—consists of several organizations that serve Jewish graduate students. These organizations are based both on professional schools and interests: JAGS (Jewish Association of Graduate Students), JLSA (Jewish Law Student Association), RJSA (Ross Jewish Students Association), OJSW (Organization of Jewish Social Workers), JeMSA (Jewish Medical Students Association). Graduate students and young professionals have a separate space for Shabbat dinner at Hillel every Friday night during the academic year.

Ahava, the Jewish Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer student group, offers programming, discussion groups, speakers and social events that meet the needs of the diverse Jewish LGBTQ community on campus.

SHARE—Students for Holocaust Awareness, Remembrance and Education —is a year-long series of events planned by students designed to present a cross-section of scholarly, personal, historical and theological perspectives on the Holocaust. SHARE's largest program is an annual Survivors' Luncheon, which hosts over 40 survivors and 300 students.

Jewish Greek Council brings together Jewish students who are members of sororities and fraternities. The group sponsors social action projects and hosts Shabbat dinners and social events.

Hillel Sports fields a broad range of teams that compete in the U-M's intra-mural sports program. Hillel also sponsors the Hillel Ice Hockey Team and competes in the Kaufman Cup, a series of sporting events with MSU Hillel.

Hillel Players is a student-driven theatre group that engages with the Jewish experience. Hillel Players is committed to supporting individual talents, ensuring that each member is responsible for meaningful, vital work.

Challah for Hunger raises awareness of and money for hunger and disaster relief through the baking and selling of challah.

The Jewish Penicillin Hotline delivers kosher chicken soup with matzah balls to any U-M student who is feeling sick.

The Forum on Judaism and Gender explores women's roles in Judaism, offering study groups, speakers, Rosh Hodesh celebrations, and an annual women's seder.

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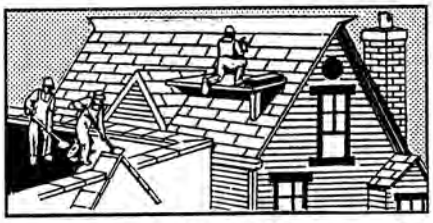
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The Jewish Detroit Initiative (JDI) is a student group that engages U-M students with Detroit through social action, education, recreation, and dialogue with city residents.

Hayerukim (Hebrew for "The Greens") provides a forum for students to engage in environmental activism from a Jewish perspective and the opportunity to help create a more sustainable Hillel, university and world.

Health and Wellness is a group focused on healthy living, exercise, and overall wellness. The group coordinates Hillel's yoga classes and occasional zumba classes, and organizes events that promote a healthy lifestyle.

OY is a Jewish cultural organization whose goal is to spread Jewish culture throughout Hillel and the university community through cultural events.

Maize & Blue Games is a community service group designed to help support Detroit inner city youth sports programs for underprivileged youth by raising money through Michigan students' participation in Intramural and other sports activities.

Michigan Mensch provides mentorship and guidance for incoming Wolverines. Freshmen are paired with upperclassmen Mensches and get together regularly to meet for coffee, build friendships, and enjoy Hillel events together.

Hillel's ARTs group (HARTS) creates community and programming for students with an interest in the arts. Students come together to learn new skills and techniques and share their artistic work building up to a student exhibit.

JEngA is Hillel's Jewish Engineering Students Association, planning social and cultural events for Jewish engineers.

Hillel Outdoor Adventure was started by students who express their Jewish identity by being in nature and the outdoors. The group is inspired by Scouts and the Jewish value of bal tashchit, meaning "do not destroy," a guiding value for Jewish environmentalism and sustainable living. Outdoor Adventure enjoys camping, hiking, skiing, kayaking, and snowboarding.

MEDx (Medical Exposure) was formed out of the shared interests of students who participated in a summer ambulance volunteer program in Israel with Magen David Adom (Israel's Red Cross). MEDx seeks to raise awareness about emergency preparedness on campus as well learning about the field of medicine and supporting the overall health of the community.

Midnight Run cultivates a connection between students and the homeless using a Jewish lens in order to broaden perspectives while also destigmatizing the epidemic of homelessness. Every week, the group donates leftover food from Shabbat to Food Gatherers, the local food pantry. They also organize clothing drives to support the local homeless population and deliver the clothes on midnight runs.

FYSH – First Year Students of Hillel organizes social programming targeted at freshmen to help students meet and develop new friends in Hillel. This group also helps foster community in residence halls on both North and Central Campuses.

Will Work for Food (WWFF) encourages students to partake in a community effort and get sponsored by their family and friends with a donation to WWFF. All money raised through these sponsored work efforts will go directly to alleviate child malnutrition in Darfur through Doctors Without Borders.

jNET (the Jewish Network) is an engagement internship for people who have a desire to create new and different ways to define or access Jewish life at Michigan. Interns participate in ongoing training and skill-building in areas of social networking theory, community organizing and entrepreneurship.

U-M Hillel is also a partner to and/or supporter of TEDxUofM, **Dance Marathon, Go Blue Wear Pink, Prisoner Creative Arts Project, K-Grams, Relay for Life,** and **MUSIC Matters** and encourages student involvement in these volunteer and fundraising initiatives.

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ACADEMICS

Since 1970, Judaic Studies at the University of Michigan has thrived as an interdisciplinary endeavor, supporting outstanding faculty, educating undergraduate and graduate students, and engaging the community. Judaic Studies offers students opportunities for in-depth study of religious faith, cultural pluralism, and ethnic identity. Students benefit from the academic excellence of faculty, with strengths extending from modern Jewish literatures and cultures, to rabbinic law, and history.

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH

The inauguration of the Frankel Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies in 2007 has made the University of Michigan a premier site for Judaic Studies in the United States. Each year, the Institute brings a group of the world's leading scholars from a variety of disciplines to Ann Arbor. While at Michigan, these Institute Fellows share their research with the local community through public presentations and lectures.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Judaic Studies sponsors lectures, conferences, exhibits, and other events throughout the academic year, including two annual programs: the Louis and Helen Padnos Lecture Series and the David W. Belin Lecture in American Jewish Affairs. All events are free and open to the public.

JUDAICA COLLECTIONS IN THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LIBRARY

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The Judaica holdings of the University of Michigan's Hatcher Graduate Library are rich and extensive. The collection can be traced back to the Hebrew grammars, dictionaries, and Bibles that once belonged to John Monteith, the first president of the University, then known as the Catholepistemiad, or The University of Michigania, in Detroit, where he served in that position from 1817-1821. According to the minutes of the Regents of the University, courses in Tanakh (Hebrew bible or Jewish scriptures) were first formally offered beginning in the late nineteenth century while Judaic studies did not become a formal part of the curriculum until 1972.

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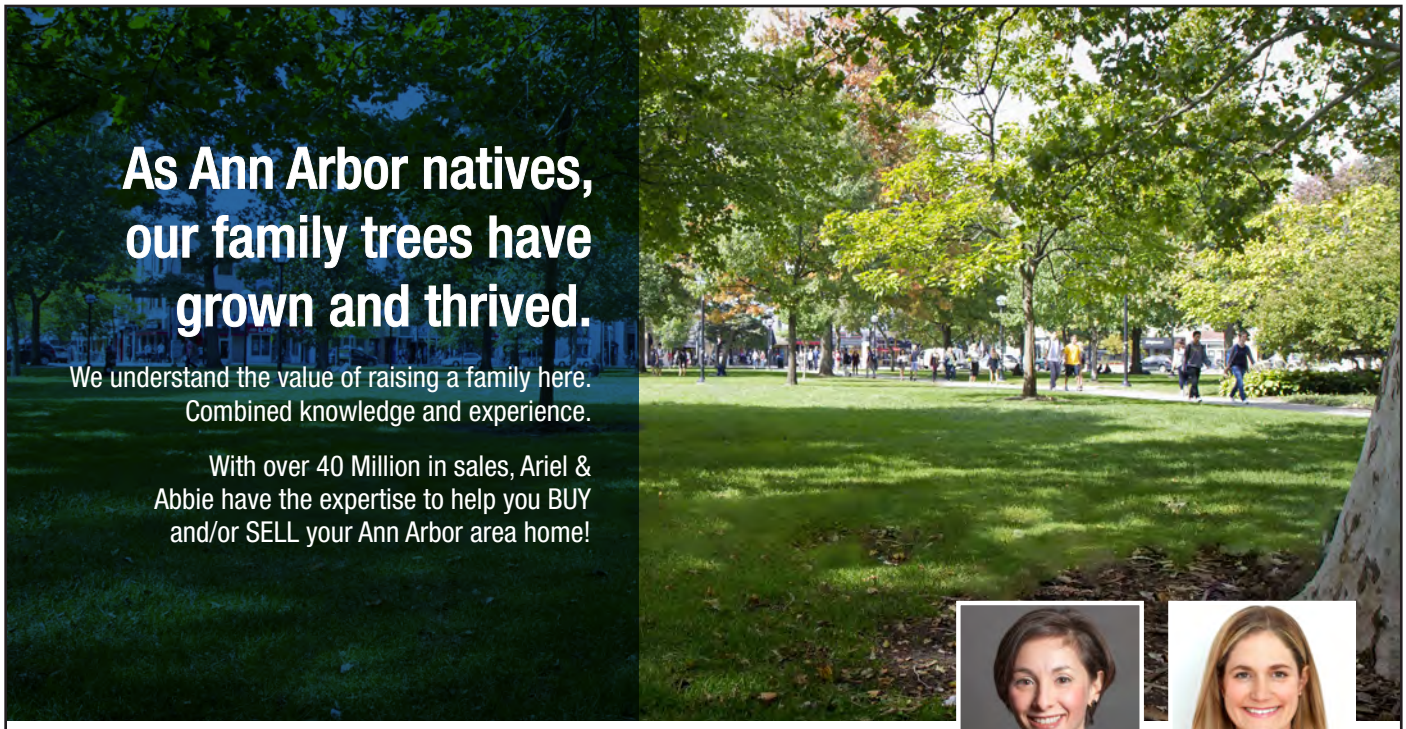

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that supports students, researchers, and the Jean and Samuel Frankel Center for Judaic Studies (inaugurated in 1988). The Library's Judaica collection has grown into one that can be favorably compared in depth and title count with the larger collections in other major North American universities and research institutions.

The Judaic studies collection contains materials in all formats: books, journals, pamphlets, digital databases, microforms, videos, audio recordings, graphic novels, objects, artworks, photos, postcards, ephemera, etc. and all languages particularly Hebrew, Yiddish, Ladino, Aramaic, and other Jewish languages as well as Western languages primarily in the humanities and social sciences. Currently, there are over 105,000 books and serial publications in Judaic studies in the University Library's collections. There are an additional 3,500 items in the Jewish Heritage Collection in the Library's Special Collections. This includes mostly three-dimensional artifacts (both ritual and everyday objects), works of art, books, and ephemera. There are also at least another 1,500 books and objects in the General and Rare section of Special Collections including a substantial number of rare and antiquarian books, which entails over 1,000 Passover Haggadahs, among many others.

The collection includes more than 58,000 titles in Hebrew and Yiddish, as well as Ladino, Aramaic, and other Jewish languages. Western language Judaica holdings number approximately 47,500. The collection is particularly strong in Modern Hebrew literature, Jewish history, the history of Israel, Judaism, and Tanakh. Annually, the library adds about 1,000 Hebrew and Yiddish titles to the collection and 1,500 Jewish studies titles in Western languages. The collection is primarily housed in the Harlan Hatcher Graduate Library, including Special Collections, but Judaica can be found in virtually all of the other campus libraries, including Art, Architecture, and Engineering; Askwith Media Library; Bentley Historical Library; Clements; Fine Arts; Kresge Business Library; Law; Taubman Medical Library; Social Work; and Shapiro Undergraduate and Science Libraries. Items can be located by subject classification and corresponding call number.

Although the University has branch and independent libraries and sub-libraries that collect in fine arts; architecture; health sciences; juvenile literature; law; music, theater, and dance; science; and screen arts; when occasionally there are materials in those disciplines that transcend a single field of study and could benefit researchers in the humanities and social sciences, such works will be added to the Graduate Library's holdings as well. The Judaic Unit also recommends acquisitions for the other holding units and sub-libraries, specifically the Special Collections Library and others such as the Askwith Media Library, the Fine Arts Library, Music Library, and the Children's Literature Collection (Shapiro Undergraduate Library) working in collaboration with the selectors, curators, and directors of these and other units.

U-M JEWISH COMMUNAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

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A collaborative effort of the University of Michigan School of Social Work and the Frankel Center for Judaic Studies, the Jewish Communal Leadership Program (JCLP) trains emerging leaders committed to helping Jewish communities meet 21st century challenges while also addressing broader social concerns.

The program combines academic study in Judaic studies and social work, experiential training in nonprofit management, and hands-on engagement with contemporary communal challenges, such as youth engagement, elderly services, Jewish education, differing viewpoints on Israel, and the nature of American Jewish identity. Students pursue field placements with local agencies including the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor, Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw County, and the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor. There are also opportunities available regionally, nationally and around the world. Hailing from across the United States, JCLP students become active members of the Ann Arbor Jewish community.

Engagement with local community members and organizations is fundamental to the students' educational trajectory. Every year, the program invites community members to a late-August welcome breakfast (August 27, 2018 at 7:45 a.m. at Michigan Hillel), an open house at the sukkah erected in the School

of Social Work courtyard (September 26, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.), and intergenerational community dialogues on issues of current interest. The culminating experience for graduating students is their role in planning JCLP's annual "Communal Conversation" through which they invite members of the University and local communities to join with leading national thinkers, activists, and educators in considering issues of central import to Jewish communal inquiry and concern.

Priority admissions deadline is December 1. For more information on upcoming events, current students, alumni, and financial aid, refer to program website: https://ssw.umich.edu/offices/jewish-communal-leadership-program

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As part of its participation in the Michigan/Central Galilee Partnership2Gether (P2G), the Ann Arbor Jewish community has developed a significant partnership with Moshav Nahalal, Israel's first moshav. This partnership fosters positive, meaningful relationships in order to strengthen Jewish identity and Zionism in both communities.

The Ann Arbor/Nahalal partnership's flagship project is the Student Exchange. Teens in ninth grade travel to Israel and cultivate lasting friendships with their Israeli hosts. In the fall of tenth grade, the hospitality is reciprocated when the Israeli delegation visits Ann Arbor and learns about life as a Jewish teen in the US.

The 2019 trip will take place during Ann Arbor Public Schools' Spring Break, March 21–31.

Parents or teens interested in learning about the Student Exchange are encouraged to visit the website or contact Outreach and Programs Coordinator Claudia Halpern.

ADULT HEBREW CLASSES CO-SPONSORED BY BETH ISRAEL CONGREGATION AND TEMPLE BETH EMETH

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Beth Israel Congregation and Temple Beth Emeth offer adult Hebrew classes which are open to everyone in the community regardless of synagogue affiliation. Courses are offered for beginners as well as more advanced students. The 12-week fall session begins in September and a second 12-week session begins in January. Tuition for each semester is $180 for members of TBE or BIC, and $200 for nonmembers. Adult Hebrew students enjoy instruction by experienced teachers in a relaxed small group setting. Contact Beth Israel or Temple Beth Emeth for a schedule of class times, and to sign up for a class.

ANN ARBOR RECONSTRUCTIONIST CONGREGATION RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

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Beginning in kindergarten, children are given the essential building blocks to secure their identities as members of a community, as Jews, and as lifelong learners. HDS focuses attention in equal measure on academic excellence and on fostering the healthy social and emotional development of students. The whole child is nourished and the mind is stimulated through a balance of learning opportunities including art, vocal and instrumental music, technology, library, and physical education. HDS families come from a wide variety of religious backgrounds, and students learn to expect and embrace diversity. They engage with a rich Jewish and American heritage through plays, musical productions, and joyous holiday celebrations. HDS graduates are academically skilled, confident in their talents, grounded in their identities, and poised to contribute to the world.

JEWISH CULTURAL SCHOOL

See Congregations, Jewish Cultural Society

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The Jewish Educators Council provides Ann Arbor Jewish Educational Leaders with opportunities to discuss issues of mutual concern, develop additional professional skills and knowledge in areas of Jewish education and collaborate on programming options for teachers and students. The council consists of the directors of Beth Israel Congregation Religious School, Ann Arbor Chabad, the Hebrew Day School, the JCC Early Childhood Center, the Jewish Cultural School, the Reconstructionist Havurah, Keshet Ann Arbor and Temple Beth Emeth Religious School. The Council sponsors opportunities for teacher training on the local level during the school year. It brings in one nationally known scholar-in-residence who leads a teacher workshop and spends time in each school working with students and one conference featuring local educational experts. The Jewish Educators Council is funded by the Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor and participating organizations.

JLI - JEWISH LEARNING INSTITUTE

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Presented in synchrony in 350 cities nationwide and around the world, Jewish Learning Institute classes are presented locally by specially trained educators, including Ann Arbor Chabad House Rabbi Aharon Goldstein. Since its inception in 1998, JLI programs have been attended by nearly 40,000 people, and hundreds of thousands of others join in electronically through JLI on-line message boards and Internet based channels.

KESHET ANN ARBOR

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Keshet is an academic program for high school students, offering the opportunity to take Hebrew classes to fulfill the foreign language requirement, and receive high school credit as if it was any other high school class at their school. At Keshet, students meet twice a week for a total of four hours and study Modern Hebrew with professional language instructors, some of which are also U-M lecturers. Classes are small, allowing teachers to focus on their students' progress and lessons are dynamic and communicative.

As with other academic high school courses, students are expected to complete homework, take exams, and prepare class presentations. Attendance and participation are key. Class material is level appropriate and naturally contains cultural components such as Israeli movies, songs, newspapers and more, to make the language learning

experience wholesome and well rounded. Keshet offers four levels of Hebrew, from beginners to advanced, and students come from all walks of the Ann Arbor community.

Not all Keshet students take it for credit; some are there for their love of the language and their sincere interest in learning how to communicate in Hebrew. These driven teens are an integral part of classes; they attend regularly, take the exams and participate in other Keshet activities.

Keshet is proud to have such motivated students and to be a part of their busy schedules. Keshet is recognized by the Ann Arbor Public School Community Resource (CR) department, a unique system that lets high school students take a class not offered in their school, and get credit for it. Keshet fulfills CR requirements and maintains close contact with the CR monitor throughout the year.

TEMPLE BETH EMETH RELIGIOUS AND HEBREW SCHOOL

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Temple Beth Emeth strives to educate its students to become proficient in the skills needed to be life-long Jewish learners. TBE believes that this is best accomplished within the framework of a vibrant Jewish community. TBE provides students with a curriculum based on Reform Jewish educational philosophy in a manner that is creative, engaging and intellectually stimulating. TBE employs high-quality teachers who are knowledgeable, enthusiastic and committed to Judaism. TBE involves the families of its students in a variety of exciting family education programs. The Religious and Hebrew School programs serve students from preschool age through grade 12. The curriculum includes studies in areas such as customs and traditions, Torah, holidays, life cycle, prayer, music, history, theology, Israel, immigration, comparative Judaism, the Holocaust and Jewish ethics. The curriculum is based upon recommendations from the Union of Reform Judaism.

LOWER GRADES

Religious School for preschool-5th grade students is held at TBE on Saturday mornings in two sessions: 8:30–10:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Shabbat mornings are filled with singing, stories, the study of Jewish history, Torah, Israel, mitzvot, ethics, holidays, and more. Each grade has a different focus, and we take an active hands-on approach where teachers who share a love of Judaism guide students' Jewish journeys.

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

On Shabbat morning, Rabbi Whinston leads an adult Torah study session, followed by services in the chapel, during the first session of Religious School. These activities help to develop a sense of community and encourage parents to continue their own educational growth.

Each grade in the elementary program also offers one Family Learning Program each year, in which all family members are invited to participate in a special session connected to that grade's curriculum.

HEBREW SCHOOL

Students are introduced to the Hebrew alphabet in second grade, and Hebrew School begins in third grade, continuing through sixth grade. The Hebrew program focuses on Hebrew reading skills and an understanding of the meaning and structure of the prayers. Students

are then introduced to conversational Hebrew and grammar. TBE offers Conversational Hebrew in 8th grade, and many of TBE's high school students study Modern Hebrew through Keshet, the Community Resource Hebrew Program sponsored by TBE and the Jewish Federation of Washtenaw County.

B'NAI MITZVAH TRAINING

Cantor Regina Hayut supervises training for b'nai mitzvah students. Students work with private tutors and meet with the cantor at the end of each aliyah. Rabbi Whinston also meet with students to work on their d'var Torah, their opportunity to share some words of Torah as they become bar or bat mitzvah.

MUSIC STUDENTS

TBE youth enjoy a strong Jewish music program, led by experienced song leaders as part of the weekly Saturday morning program. Cantor Hayut leads a Youth Choir for students in grades 3–5 and Shir Chadash, vocal and instrumental groups for middle and high school students. These musical groups are very popular and meet at times that are coordinated with Hebrew and Religious School sessions. The students have a variety of opportunities to perform throughout the year.

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Grades 6-8 have class on Sunday evenings from 6–7:30 p.m. The students participating in this program enjoy pizza and social time before the formal class session begins. 7th graders study mitzvot and participate in a variety of social action projects. The 8th grade class, which studies modern Jewish history, ends with a fantastic trip to New York City. The 10th grade confirmation class is taught by Rabbi Josh Whinston and culminates in a Shabbat service which is written and led by the students. Our 8th through 12th grade students also choose electives, specialized classes often led by congregants and community members, focusing on specific aspects of Judaism such as: Current Events through a Jewish Lens; Messages of

Resilience, Courage, and Creativity – Narratives of the Holocaust; Jewish Creativity: Music, Art, and Poetry; Jewish Cooking from Around the World, and more.

MADRIKHIM PROGRAM

In high school, students have the opportunity to serve as classroom aides and role models in TBE's elementary school program. Ninth grade students have the opportunity to join a semester-long training program, which prepares them for working as madrikhim (classroom aides). Madrikhim work in the classrooms, serve as positive role models for the younger students, and add a wonderful energy to the school.

ADVANCE HEBREW STUDY FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

High school students are able to receive public school credit (through the Community Resource program) for studying Hebrew language.

T.E.A.C.H. (TORAH EDUCATION AT CHABAD HOUSE)

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Classes offered at Chabad House cover the spectrum from basic Hebrew reading and Talmud study groups to Chassidic and Jewish mysticism. All classes are open to all Jews, regardless of their affiliation or background. An extensive library is available with classic and modern references to complement what is taught. The current class list includes: basic Hebrew reading (individual or small group instruction), prayers and their meanings, the Jewish way of prayer and the organization of the siddur (prayer book), Talmud, Chumash (the Five Books of Moses), Rashi (the 12th-century Torah commentator), Chassidic Jewish mysticism and its application to daily Jewish life in the 20th century, The Ethics of Our Fathers, The Shulchan Aruch, and Halachah (code of Jewish law). Chabad House offers pre-bar/bat mitzvah classes for children ages 10–13. Students preparing for bar or bat mitzvah receive instruction from Rabbi Zalman or Shternie Zweibel. Private tutorial classes are also offered to adults to learn the specifics of Torah.

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BAT MITZVAH CLUB

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The Bat Mitzvah Club at Chabad House is "for girls, run by girls and starring girls," because girls run the meetings, prepare programs and arrange activities. Be a leader or a participant. Organize an event. Plan a project. Make a presentation. The Bat Mitzvah Club is a place to grow, learn and get involved, share ideas, friendships and fun. The Bat Mitzvah Club shows girls why a bat mitzvah is much more than a party. Learn what it really means to be a bat mitzvah in the modern world. Get to know your Jewish self through art, creative writing and community outreach. Discuss hot topics. Share your interests, goals, hopes and dreams. Record your thoughts and ideas in your very own club journal.

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Camp Gan Israel is a summer camp dedicated to enriching the lives of children from diverse Jewish backgrounds and affiliations through a stimulating camping experience. The dedicated staff assures you that their focus on child safety and program quality is unparalleled.

CGI of Ann Arbor is part of the largest network of day camps, enjoying a reputation as a pioneer in Jewish camping, with innovative ideas and creative activities, to both provide enjoyment and inspire children to try new and exciting things! Camp Gan Israel was created to provide children with a fun and meaningful summer program, while fostering growth individually and socially in a Jewish atmosphere. The daily schedule includes an exciting mix of sports, field trips, special programs and activities designed to be educational, fun and conducive to building character and nurturing friendships.

Camp Gan Israel is for children ages 4–13 with four divisions:

1. The Mini Gan Izzy for ages 4–5 years;
2. The Junior Division for kids entering 1st-2nd grade;
3. The Sabra for kids entering 3rd–4th grade;
4. The Pioneer for kids entering 5th–8th grade.

Program includes: twice a week field trips to many exciting adventures in Southeast Michigan; three times a week swimming; three times a week "icamp" an innovative program where the campers can choose their activities such as dance, woodworking, art, tennis, a science program, gymnastics, music, jewelry making, cooking, origami, martial arts, yoga, chess, nature and sports. Every Friday there is a Shabbat celebration which includes a Shabbat party and challah baking.

Camp Gan Israel Judaic programming is designed to instill campers with a love for Judaism and pride in their Jewish identity. The camp Judaic experience is comprised of engaging activities, hands-on projects, stories, songs and crafts. Camp is filled with programming that teaches children positive values and character traits, taught in a fun, exciting way.

There is a camp theme each year on which all activities center, and it is emphasized that every child, irrespective of their level of Jewish observance, becomes a part of the Gan Israel family.

Camp Gan Israel is fully licensed by the State of Michigan. Camp Gan Israel is located at Clonlara School, 1289 Jewett Road. Camp Gan Israel runs for seven weeks during the summer.

GAN YELADIM ENRICHMENT

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Gan Yeladim, for children ages 2–5 years, meets on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 1–4 p.m. At Gan Yeladim each child is encouraged to make choices with respect towards him/herself, others and his/her surroundings.

Group leaders seek to nourish each child's heart and mind as their cognitive, social, emotional, and physical skills are developed, so that each child will be a well-rounded person capable of solving problems and adapting to new situations. Children are educated in a creative, supportive, and warm Jewish environment, so that each child will learn about life as a Jew.

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KADIMA (GRADES 6–8)

Middle school students meet on a monthly basis for programs in the social action, religious, cultural and social areas. Kadima members meet with their advisor to design and plan their programs. Activities include joint programming with other middle school-age youth groups from Reform temples in the region. Recent programs have included a shul-in, visits to area attractions, holiday services and retreats.

RISHONIM (GRADES 3–5)

Rishonim events occur monthly to give 3–5 graders an opportunity to socialize in a setting outside of religious school. Events include holiday celebrations and other social activities such as ice-skating and trampoline jumping.

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